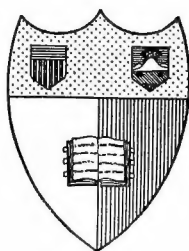


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BRO. JOHN MARSHALL, the eminent jurist and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Virginia, was born at Germantown, Fauquier County, Virginia, September 24, 1755, and died at Philadelphia, Penna., July 6, 1835. His grandfather, of the same name, who was a native of Wales, emigrated to America in 1730, and settled in "the Athens of Virginia," Westmoreland County, where Washington, Monroe and the Lees were born. His father, Thomas Marshall and Bro. George Washington, grew up as boys together, and were friends through life. BRO. JOHN MARSHALL was the eldest of fifteen children. As a youth he exhibited large intellectual promise. He was educated privately, and never entered college. In 1773, at the age of eighteen, he commenced the study of the law. The Revolutionary War supervening, the young law student became a soldier, and served with great distinction and gallantry through the entire war. In 1779 he resumed the study of the law, and attended the law lectures of Chancellor Wythe, at William and Mary's College. Admitted to practice, he soon established for himself a reputation as a sound and a safe counsellor and an able advocate.

In 1779 he was sent to France by President Adams as one of three Envoys Extraordinary. He was next in succession, a member of Congress, and Secretary of State under President John Adams. On January 31, 1801, President Adams appointed him, at the age of forty-five years, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, which office he held until his death, in 1835.

It would be impossible to condense the personal and political history of this eminent jurist and statesman within the limits of so brief a sketch, and do him full justice. Besides, his personal and political career is already a matter of American history, and no student of American history can be at a loss for authorities. Many may be found upon the shelves of our public libraries.

The Masonic life of BRO. MARSHALL is equally interesting, though not so prominently displayed upon the pages of Masonic literature. His name appears as a Past Master, and a Past Grand Master, on the roll of membership of Richmond Lodge, No. 10, up to the year 1816. He first appeared in the Grand Lodge of Virginia in 1786, as Representative of Richmond Lodge, No. 10, when he was appointed Deputy Grand Master by Grand Master Bro. Edmund Randolph, and served as such for one year. In 1791 a Dispensation was issued for a new lodge in Lynchburg, Va., by the name of Hiram Lodge, No. 39. Upon the granting of the Charter for the same, however, in 1793, its name was changed to Marshall Lodge, in honor of our distinguished Brother, and this Lodge is still actively at work as Marshall Lodge, No. 39, of Lynchburg.

In 1792 BRO. MARSHALL was again appointed Deputy Grand Master, by Grand Master Bro. Thomas Matthews, and in 1793 he was elected M. W. Grand

Master of Virginia, and re-elected in 1794. In 1795 he declined a re-election, whereupon the Grand Lodge of Virginia, truly sensible of the great attention paid to the duties of Masonry, and the wisdom displayed by the distinguished Brother in the discharge of the duties of his office, directed the Grand Treasurer to procure and present him with an elegant Past Master's jewel, as a token of their entire appreciation of his conduct.

BRO. MARSHALL was one of the great triumvirate of master minds in America—than whom no country in the world has produced any greater—Benjamin Franklin, George Washington and John Marshall, all of whom were Freemasons, and two of them Grand Masters, Franklin of Pennsylvania, and Marshall of Virginia.

BRO. ALFRED ELISHA AMES, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, in 1853 and 1854, was born at Colchester, Vermont, December 14, 1814. When seventeen years of age he removed to Orwell, Ohio, and two years later, at Barnesville, Ohio, he became engaged at brick-making, teaching and studying during a portion of the year, to fit himself for greater and more extended usefulness.

On September 28, 1836, he married Miss Martha A. Pratt, at Geneva, Ohio, and in the following October removed to Chicago, Illinois, that city at the time having a population of only 3,000. Near the present city of Bloiden, he shortly afterwards pre-empted a claim of 160 acres, residing the requisite portion of the year upon it, and the remainder at Chicago, engaged in his trade.

In November, 1838, he formed the acquaintance of Stephen A. Douglas and Alexander P. Field, the Secretary of State. By the latter he was appointed as his deputy. He was also appointed the private secretary to Governor Carlin. In 1839, he was appointed deputy to Mr. Douglas, who succeeded Mr. Field, as Secretary of State; and continued as private secretary to Governor Carlin; also serving as chief clerk of the House Committee. It was during this year that he attended his first course of medical lectures at the Rush Medical College, Chicago.

In 1841, he began the practice of medicine at Belvidere, Ill. In 1842, he was elected to the Illinois House of Representatives. In 1843, he was appointed postmaster at Belvidere, but removed July 1, 1844, to Roscoe, where he practiced his profession, and also became postmaster.

In 1849 he was elected State Senator, and during the same year was commissioned by Governor French as paymaster general of his staff. In 1850, he was re-elected to the Senate. In 1851, he emigrated to Minnesota, going by wagon from Roscoe to Galena, and thence by steamer to St. Anthony's Falls. Taking up a claim, under permit of Colonel Lee, commandant of Fort Snelling, he erected his house on the site upon which now stands the Court House of Minneapolis. He entered into partnership with Dr. J. H. Murphy,



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for the practice of medicine at St. Anthony. The following year his family joined him.

In 1852, he was elected to the Territorial Legislature for the County of Hennepin, and in 1854 became Judge of Probate for the same county. In 1856 he became postmaster at Minneapolis. June 1, 1857, he was elected a member of the Constitutional Convention, and became chairman of the committee on school lands and the university, and in 1860, a member of the State Normal Board.

BRO.: AMES'S Masonic career was as brilliant as his professional and political. He was made a Master Mason in Joliet Lodge, Joliet, Ill., March 4, 1845. He became a charter member of Belvidere Lodge, and served as Worshipful Master, in 1848; established a Lodge at Roscoe and another at Rockton, Ill., and served as Master of each; in 1852, he assembled the brethren of Saint Anthony, Minn., and under dispensation from the Grand Master of Illinois, instituted Cataract Lodge, of which he also became Worshipful Master. He subsequently became a charter member of Hennepin Lodge, of which he also became Master.

In 1853, on the organization of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, he was elected Grand Master, and in 1854 was re-elected, thus serving two years as the first Grand Master of Minnesota. He may be justly called one of the fathers of Masonry in that State, having instituted nearly all the earlier Lodges of that jurisdiction, and having been identified with the Order for more than thirty-four years.

He was a member of St. John's Chapter, R.: A.: M.: and of Zion Commandery, K.: T.: of Minneapolis, serving respectively as High Priest in the one, and Eminent Commander in the other. He also served as Grand High Priest and Grand Chaplain.

BRO.: AMES at the time of his death, September 23, 1874, was Grand Prelate of the Grand Commandery of Minnesota, and highly esteemed for his conspicuous services in the cause of the Fraternity and the pre-eminent virtues he so characteristically symbolized in his long and eventful career. Masonically, professionally, and politically, his life was as useful as it was conspicuous, and acted well its part in the drama of life. To be true to self and useful to mankind—what great arcs in the circle of existence!

BRO.: CHARLES THOMSON McCLENACHAN, 33°, was born in Washington City, D. C., April 13, 1829. He is the son of Robert H. McClenachan and Anna (Cloud) McClenachan, of Philadelphia, the grandson of Robert McClenachan, and the great-grandson of Blair McClenachan, one of the founders of the "First City Troop" of cavalry, Washington's body-guard, and who, in 1780, contributed fifty thousand dollars in gold towards the sustenance of the Revolutionary Army, then in such sore distress. On the maternal side, he traces his descent from the Harrisons of Pennsylvania, who, by intermarriage, were connected with Councillor Isaac Norris, General Walter Stewart, and Charles Thomson, the latter the

first and only Secretary of the Colonial Congress, after whom, as his great-granduncle, he was named.

BRO.: McCLENACHAN was educated in Pennsylvania, and in 1845 went to New York City, where he completed his studies while occupying the position of principal teacher in one of the largest educational institutions of that city. In 1851 he went to the Island of Cuba, W. I., where he was for a time engaged as a private tutor in the family of the Marquis de Villalba. Returning to New York, he secured a position in the municipal government of that city, and now occupies the important post of Chief Accountant in the Department of Public Works. He also studied law and was admitted to the New York Bar in 1867.

BRO.: McCLENACHAN was made a Mason in Munn Lodge, No. 190, of New York City, February 24, 1854, and aided in the re-organization of Howard Lodge, No. 35, in 1856, becoming its first Senior Deacon, and subsequently its Master. About 1887 he affiliated with Chancellor Walworth Lodge, No. 271, of which he is now a member. He is a member of Union Council, No. 2, Royal and Select Masters, and was exalted in Metropolitan Chapter, No. 140, R.: A.: M.: in 1859; but subsequently affiliated with Ancient Chapter, No. 1. In the chivalric order he was knighted in Palestine Commandery, No. 18, in 1859, and was elected a Trustee.

It is to the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, however, that BRO.: McCLENACHAN has given the greatest energy and the best years of his life. He received the degrees to the fourteenth, in New York Lodge of Perfection, April 10, 1856, and after filling the different subordinate positions, became its Master, February 13, 1858, serving as such, through successive re-elections, for a period of thirteen years. On June 6, 1859, he was created a Knight K—h and Brother of the Royal Secret in Cosmopolitan Consistory, finally became its Commander, and directed its work until he took command of the old Aurora Grata Consistory, which, in course of time, united with the former under the name of the New York Consistory. BRO.: McCLENACHAN was given the charge of this united body, and has been the presiding officer ever since—in all, a period of more than a quarter of a century.

BRO.: McCLENACHAN was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°) and elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, N.: M.: J.: at Boston, Mass., December 15, 1860, and at the same time was appointed Deputy of the Council for the State of New York. He was crowned an Active Member of the Council at Boston, July 12, 1861. At the same session he was elected G.: M.: General of Ceremonies of that body, which position he has held almost continuously ever since,—Bro.: Hamilton's brief service being the exception.

BRO.: McCLENACHAN was appointed Historian of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, June, 1887, and in the same year became the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania





BROTHER CHARLES T. McCLENACHAN, 33°,

HISTORIAN OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

G. M. GEN. OF CEREMONIES, SUPREME COUNCIL 33°, A. A. S. R., NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



C. J. McClintock 33.

Gr. M. of Ceremonies Supreme Council 33° A.A.S.R.N.M.L. of the U.S.
Historian of the Grand Lodge of the
State of New York.

to the Grand Lodge of New York. He also became identified with the Order of the Knights of Pythias; the Red Cross of Constantine; and the Royal Order of Scotland, in 1878. He is also a Past President of the Veterans of Masonry of New York.

His ability as a Ritualist is acknowledged, in point of arrangement, setting, and production, and he has had experience more or less in connection with the inception and arrangement of the Rituals of many secret and secular organizations. As a writer his productions have been before the public for many years in the form of orations, editorial service and press contributions. He is the author and compiler of a number of books of Municipal Law and Public Reports, and in Masonry among various works has issued "The Book of the A. A. Scottish Rite of Freemasonry," a handsomely illuminated manual of over six hundred pages; an "Addendum" of over one thousand subjects to Dr. Mackey's Encyclopædia; and "A History of Masonry in New York," in four volumes, a labor to which he was assigned by the Grand Lodge of the State, and which is conceded to be one of the most important works of Masonic History issued in this or any other country.

BRO. McCLENACHAN is a patient and careful writer as his work clearly evidences, and he has devoted much of his time for several decades past to the development of Freemasonry. An earnest student, he has attained a masterful conception of his subject, and to-day ranks among the foremost scholars in the lore of the Craft. His early associations with the Brethren, that have added fame and lustre to the name of Masonry, together with his eminent abilities and the thorough knowledge he possesses of all the essentials, well qualified him for the work which the Grand Lodge of his State assigned to him, and which have been concluded with so many merited encomiums.

BRO. PETER WILLIAMSON, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and for several decades a distinguished Landmark in Masonry in that Commonwealth, was born in 1795; was by profession a druggist, and conducted this business successfully in Philadelphia for many years. He was one of the founders and a trustee of the College of Pharmacy of Philadelphia, ever taking a lively interest in its welfare and prosperity. Having retired with a competency from his business some years before his death, he devoted much of his time and means to the support of this institution, besides taking an active interest in many of the current enterprises of his day and generation.

BRO. WILLIAMSON was made a Mason in Franklin Lodge, No. 134, of Philadelphia, on October 19, 1816, and was passed and raised the following month. He was elected Junior Warden of the Lodge in 1818, and resigned in 1821. This Lodge was one of those which about this time became dormant; and it was not until some years later that the brethren were en-

abled to rehabilitate it. This was in a measure due to the Anti-Masonic crusade which followed several years after its collapse; and of course estopped the work of reorganization. It was not until October, 1846, that the members of Franklin Lodge were enabled to reorganize their Lodge, having during this year joined in a petition to the Grand Body for its revival. BRO. WILLIAMSON was among the petitioners, and was chosen its Secretary on the night of reorganization, and the following December became its Worshipful Master. In this Lodge, continuously thereafter, he was the moving spirit, the Brother who, in season and out of season, labored for its welfare and the prosperity of its members. Through his influence the Past Masters of Lodge No. 134 undertook, immediately after its reorganization in 1846, the instruction of its officers and members in the work of the Craft. In this labor of love he never faltered. Always an authority, always patient, always willing to sacrifice time and money for the Fraternity he loved so well, the impress of his mind and heart are indelibly stamped upon the Craft.

His official career in the Grand Lodge was long and distinguished. He was elected Junior Grand Warden in March, 1851, upon the death of Bro. Alexander Diamond; elected Senior Grand Warden in December, 1851 and 1852; Deputy Grand Master in 1853 and 1854; and R. W. Grand Master in 1855 and 1856. Upon declining a re-election as Grand Master in 1857, he was at once elected Grand Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, and was re-elected annually for a period of fourteen years, until December 27, 1871, when he retired from official station, but not from active interest in and influence with the Craft.

The name of BRO. WILLIAMSON is the synonym of devotion to Masonry, wisdom in Masonic government, financial fidelity, ritualistic ability and genuine brotherly love. He was wise beyond the wisdom of his time; in demeanor, an old-time gentleman, and yet a plain, unobtrusive, unambitious man; in Masonry a leader, an adept in its work, and a devotee to its mysteries. He loved it as he loved his life. He labored for it as for hidden treasure. He delved in its mines as he only can delve whose heart is in his labor, and whose labor is its own rich reward. He loved Masons as he loved Masonry, and through his unusually prolonged life of over ninety years, uniformly, consistently, beautifully and truthfully exemplified the principles and virtues which are championed by our ancient and honorable Fraternity.

BRO. WILLIAMSON departed this life on March 6, 1886, universally esteemed and respected, and while the profane world soon forgets its most devoted servants, after they cease to stand full in front of the public eyes, it is not so with Masonry. Time cannot dim the Masonic career of P. G. M. BRO. WILLIAMSON in the minds of Pennsylvania Masons, nor destroy the brilliant lustre his superabundant labors have shed on the Craft.

BRO. ROBERT McCOSKRY GRAHAM, 33°, was born in the city of New York, September 28, 1830. He was the eldest son of Nathan B. Graham, who was the great-grandson of the Rev. John Graham, a descendant of the Scottish Cavaliers, born in Edinburgh in 1604, and lived to be four-score years of age. This eminent divine wedded Abigail Chauncy, a lineal descendant of Chauncy de Chauncy, who entered England with William the Conqueror, in 1066, from Chauncy, near Amiens, in France.

While yet a lad, Robert was sent to Paris, France, to complete his education, and he became a proficient in the use of the French language. When only seventeen years of age, he entered the counting-house of Howland & Aspinwall, who were then pioneers in the shipping trade with the west coast of America, and organized the Pacific Mail Steamship Company. His natural tact and studiousness caused him to take advantage of his very flattering business opportunities, and he necessarily attained a very large and varied experience in commercial affairs.

President Pierce, in 1854, appointed **BRO. GRAHAM**, then only twenty-four years of age, and in appearance not over eighteen, Navy Agent of the United States at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, at which place he also represented the Marine Underwriters of the United States, and so continued for about three years, when he returned to New York, and entered into the business of Marine Insurance, and became the manager of the New York Marine Branch Office of the Old Manufacturers' Insurance Company of Boston.

He became, for a time, a resident of Astoria, Long Island, near New York City, where his acknowledged ability and popularity soon elevated him to the position of President of the Municipality, and he served as such for three years. Subsequently he also served as a Supervisor of Long Island City, and obtained much prominence and individual influence through being the Chairman of the Democratic General Committee of that city. Hon. John T. Hoffman, when Governor of the State, also honored **BRO. GRAHAM** by appointing him an Aide-de-Camp in his military family.

With his geniality of temperament and love for his fellow-men, it was but natural that he should desire to enter the Masonic fold. This desire granted, he received the symbolic degrees, in 1854, in Arcana Lodge, No. 246, of Astoria, Long Island, and about three years later he affiliated with Howard Lodge, No. 35, of New York City, on the occasion of its resuscitation, and became its first Junior Warden. Subsequently he assisted in the establishment of Advance Lodge, No. 635, and over which he presided as Master for one year. At a later period he re-affiliated for a short time with Howard Lodge, and then dimitted and affiliated with Chancellor Walworth Lodge, No. 271, of which he was a member up to the time of his death. He was further honored by receiving the appointment of Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Nebraska, near the Grand Lodge of the State of New York.

He was exalted in Crescent Chapter, R. A. M. ; was Knighted in Palestine Commandery, No. 18, of New York, and subsequently affiliated with Cœur de Leon Commandery, No. 23.

In 1856 he received the various Grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in Lodge, Council and Chapter; the Thirty-second in Cosmopolitan Consistory, S. P. R. S. S., 32°, at New York.

In 1863, he was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°), and on December 13, 1866, was unanimously elected an Active Member of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States. In the following year he was commissioned by the Supreme Body of the Southern Jurisdiction as its Representative; and in May, 1870, that Body also elected him to Honorary Membership.

In September, 1878, **ILL. BRO. GRAHAM** was unanimously elected Deputy of the Supreme Council, Northern Jurisdiction, for the State of New York, to fill the vacancy created by the death of **ILL. BRO. Orrin Welch**. This office **ILL. BRO. GRAHAM** filled until 1888, when, in consequence of impaired health, he resigned. After a surgical attempt to prolong his life of usefulness, he died on December 13, 1890.

There was a thread of poetry all through the life of **ILL. BRO. GRAHAM**, notwithstanding its realism; nor was he ever so happy, except when in the bosom of his family, as when in the genial company of those whom he esteemed and loved. There was much sentiment about all his enjoyments, and strong attachment for country, nativity and the land of his ancestry. Although a native of New York, he was ever proud of his Scottish lineage. Few that had the pleasure of hearing him can ever forget the jovial earnestness with which he would sing,

"Here's to the land o' bonnets blue,
Tartan kilts and tarry woo'."

ILL. BRO. Pike, then himself approaching his last days, in his eulogy of **ILL. BRO. GRAHAM**, said of him:

"He possessed a face most striking and attractive, best entitled of all perhaps to win admiration and affection, eminently handsome; forehead high, broad and fair; the eyes bright, limpid, honest; the mouth and chin unmistakably indicating firmness and resolution. It was a fine intellectual face, a clear-cut, refined and patrician face, luminous with the radiance of a fine nature; a pleasant face to look upon, a joyous, winsome face."

ILL. BRO. GRAHAM had been twice married, and four children survive him by the first wife, and two by the second wife who were too young to realize their loss. He had been the kindest and most loving of husbands, and the most indulgent of fathers; the bereavement was therefore the more severely felt, though in the hour of their affliction, the widow and children received the warmest sympathy of all who had been most intimately associated with their loved one in life.



BROTHER ROBERT M. C. GRAHAM, 33°, (dec'd),

SOV. GR. INSPECTOR GEN. OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL 33°, A. A. S. R., NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



Wm. C. Graham 33:

Sov. Gr. Insp. Gen. of the Supreme Council 33° A.A.M.S.R.
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction
of the United States.

BRO. JOHN H. B. LATROBE, 33°, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, was born in the City of Philadelphia, May 4, 1803, where his parents temporarily resided. His father was the well known and eminent architect, Benjamin H. Latrobe, and his mother, Mary E. Latrobe, the daughter of Isaac Hazlehurst, a merchant of Philadelphia, and a partner of Robert Morris, the financier of the Revolution. When old enough to be sent to school, his father's residence was in Washington, where he was the Architect in charge of the Capitol, until the war with Great Britain suspended the work, and he removed to Pittsburg in pursuance of an arrangement with Fulton, for promoting steam navigation on the Western rivers. Recalled to Washington after the war, to superintend the re-building of the Capitol, he sent his son to Georgetown College and then to the school of Mr. Carnahan, afterwards President of Princeton College, where he remained until his father took up his residence in Baltimore, when he entered St. Mary's College, which he left upon receiving the appointment of a cadet at West Point in September, 1818. In 1820, his father died of yellow fever in New Orleans, where he had gone with his family to complete a contract for supplying that city with water. The widow, with her younger son and daughter, then returned to Baltimore, and the elder son, resigning from West Point, entered the law office of his father's friend, General Robert Goodloe Harper. He was admitted to the bar of Baltimore in 1825, and for some years his progress professionally was very slow. He devoted himself to literature and artistic labor, and was the author, among others, of the "Life of Charles Carroll of Carrollton" written for Sanderson's "Biography of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence," and "Practical Reading Lessons," or the duties which man owes to his God, his fellow beings and himself. While yet a student of law, he began "Latrobe's Justices' Practice," which superseded previous works upon the subject in Maryland, and which has reached a seventh edition.

For several years he took a very active interest in Military matters, and having been appointed the aide of General Harper, who then commanded the third division of the Maryland Militia, he had no small share in the military part of the reception given to Lafayette in 1824. At different times he commanded the "Chasseurs of Lafayette" and the "First Baltimore Sharpshooters," and was Captain of the "First Baltimore Light Infantry" on a visit to Philadelphia, which is noteworthy as having been the commencement of a custom that has since become common—that of military organizations paying friendly visitations.

He was the projector of the Maryland Institute for the Promotion of the Mechanic Arts, and labored zealously, with the countenance and co-operation of leading citizens, in establishing the Institution on a safe and permanent foundation.

In 1828, he was employed by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company to secure the right of way along the Potomac from the Point of Rocks to Williamsport and Cumberland. From that time to the day of his death, he was intimately connected with the Company as its Counsel, and few professional men had been longer or more closely connected with a client than he had been with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company.

While in the law office of General Harper, he became imbued with the feeling of his preceptor in regard to the American Colonization Society, of which he was one of the founders. He prepared from the description of one of the agents from the Coast, the first map of the Colony, and united with General Harper in giving to the territory, its chief settlement and the neighbouring rivers, the names that they have since been known by. He was also active in procuring the State's appropriation of \$200,000 for the transportation of emigrants from Maryland, and was mainly instrumental in the establishment of the Colony of Maryland in Liberia at Cape Palmas, the Constitution and ordinances for the temporary government of which were his work. It was his well known activity in this connection that led to his election in 1853, while President of the Maryland State Colonization Society, to the Presidency of the American Colonization Society, his predecessors in office being Bushrod Washington, James Madison, Charles Carroll of Carrollton and Henry Clay. He was zealous and untiring in this cause, with a life-long attachment. In 1876 he was invited, along with Chief Justice Charles P. Daly, of New York, President of the American Geographical Society, by the King of the Belgians to be present, as representing the United States, at the meeting at Brussels which the King had called with a view to organize an International Association for the Exploration of Africa; and when the organization was effected, **BRO. LATROBE** was made the President of the American Branch, an office which he held at the time of his death.

BRO. LATROBE was never in political life. While his practice was a general one, he was also largely engaged in the Patent Law branch of his profession, and in that connection was employed in cases in most of the principal cities. He was himself an inventor and patentee. The so-called "Latrobe stove," sometimes known as the "Parlor heater," as well as by other names, is widely used throughout the United States. He was appointed by the President, Commissioner for Maryland at the Centennial Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence, and as a member of the Executive Committee took an active part in the work of the Commission up to its close.

For many years, he was a member of the Board of Visitors of the Maryland Hospital for the Insane, and on the death of the late Dr. Macaulay, was chosen Vice-President of the Institution, an office which he



held until the Hospital passed into the hands of the present Trustees. He was one of the Founders of the Maryland Historical Society of which he was the President; and in connection with Judge Dobbin, the two being regents of the University of Maryland, and the then surviving members of the Faculty of Law, revived the Faculty by filling up the vacancies, and were the means of placing the Law School of the University in its present prosperous condition.

BRO.: LATROBE was made a Mason in Winder Lodge, No. 77, of Baltimore, January 26, 1825; a Royal Arch Mason in Phoenix R.: A.: Chapter, No. 7, of Baltimore, of which he was High Priest in 1829; and received the high degrees in Triple Unity Rose-Croix Chapter, and the Council Princes of the Royal Secret, that existed in Baltimore from 1820 to 1826, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Consistory of the Supreme Chiefs of High and exalted Masonry of New York.

He was created an Honorary Inspector General (33°) by the Supreme Council for the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, at Baltimore, in 1872.

BRO.: LATROBE served as Master of Winder Lodge in 1827, and as High Priest of Phoenix Chapter in 1829 and 1830. For a number of years, owing to the pressure of professional engagements, he had retired from active participation in Masonic work, but in 1879, at the unanimous wish of the brethren, he accepted an election and assumed the duties of Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Maryland and was continuously and unanimously re-elected until 1878, when he declined further service.

He delivered numerous public addresses; among which may be mentioned, the occasions of the laying the corner stone of the New Masonic Temple in 1866, and that of the New City Hall in 1867. He was closely identified in the public mind with the civil, social, industrial and intellectual life as well as the Masonic history of Baltimore, and at the time of his death was the oldest Mason living in that State.

BRO.: LATROBE died in September, 1891, leaving surviving him a number of children, among them Bro.: F. C. Latrobe, who has since so ably and successfully filled the office of Chief Magistrate of the City of Baltimore.

BRO.: JOHN LIVY LEWIS, 33° Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, and Past Sovereign Grand Commander of the Supreme Council A.: A.: S.: R.: for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, was born near Dresden, Yates County, N. Y., July 17, 1813, and died at Penn Yan, N. Y., June 12, 1889. He adopted the profession of the law, and was admitted to the bar at the early age of twenty-two. In 1837 he was appointed District Attorney of Yates County, N. Y., which office he held for eleven years. He was next elected Judge of that county, and as such, for four years, discharged the onerous duties with great acceptability, insomuch that thereafter place and position seemed almost at his command.

The Masonic life of BRO.: LEWIS abounded with incident as well as detail. He was initiated in Milo Lodge, No. 108, at Penn Yan, Yates County, N. Y., May 1, 1846, was its first initiate, and was raised on the 22d of the same month. He was appointed Secretary of the Lodge, and served in that capacity until his election as Senior Warden in 1848. In 1850 and 1851, he served as Worshipful Master of his Lodge. It was at this time, also, that BRO.: LEWIS was appointed Chairman of a committee of five to collect and prepare a plan of the history of Masonry in the State of New York. The proposed plan was to embrace in its comprehension many divisions, and to include all the departments of Masonry. Shortly thereafter, and before much was accomplished, most of the committee passed into the silent land, and BRO.: LEWIS was left virtually alone with the entire burden. Great progress was made, the plan fully developed, but the herculean task was left incomplete by the death of BRO.: LEWIS. The work was then taken up and completed by Bro.: C. T. McClenachan, as the Historian of the Grand Lodge of New York, and has been published in four volumes by the Grand Lodge since.

In 1850 BRO.: LEWIS was elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of New York, and at the June Communication was created a member of the Union Committee, associated with the venerable Bro.: Salem Town, the result of whose labors was the union of St. John's Grand Lodge with that of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. In 1852 and 1853, he served as Grand Steward, in June, 1854, was elected Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and was re-elected the subsequent year. In 1856 he was chosen Grand Master, and served four years in that high station, declining a fifth, to which he had been re-elected.

During these years, BRO.: LEWIS was not unmindful of what was occurring in the various branches engrafted on the Master's Degree. On the 16th of November, 1846, he received the inferior grades in Penn Yan, R.: A.: Chapter, No. 100, and on the 23d of February ensuing was exalted to the Royal Arch. Becoming the High Priest, he entered the Grand Chapter in 1849, and was chosen Grand King in 1850, Grand High Priest in 1852, General Grand Scribe of the G.: G.: C.: of the United States in 1856, and General Grand High Priest in 1865.

He received the degrees of Knighthood in Monroe Commandery, No. 12, K.: T.: of Rochester, N. Y., May 17, 1848, and after filling most acceptably many of the subordinate stations in his Commandery, was exalted to the honorable position of Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of New York in 1851.

He received the Cryptic degrees in Penn Yan Council, R.: and S.: M.: September 12, 1850.

He received the various grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, beginning June, 1854, and





BROTHER JOHN L. LEWIS, 33°, (dec'd),

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PAST GENERAL GRAND HIGH PRIEST OF THE GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER OF THE UNITED STATES

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John L. Lewis 33°.

Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the
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gradually passed through Lodge, Council, Chapter, and Consistory, becoming the First Lieut.-Commander of Cosmopolitan Consistory of New York City in 1860.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°) June 5, 1862, and was elected an Active Member of the Supreme Council, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, April 16, 1863.

ILL. BRO. LEWIS was elected Grand Lieutenant Commander of the Supreme Council, N. M. J., in 1867, and through the resignation of Sov. G. Commander S. W. Robinson, became the Sovereign Head of that body, in which position he proved himself as capable, earnest and untiringly zealous as in all his previous official experiences.

In disposition, ILL. BRO. LEWIS was gentle and affectionate, rendering his mind warm and genial; his inclinations were those of a scholar; his intellect was clear, comprehensive, definite and practical; he was of vivid imagination, with a clearness seldom surpassed; and it may be said that socially he was one of the warmest and most loving of men. He was a persistent and painstaking student. He loved literature and art, and sometimes he expressed his worthy and beautiful thoughts in sweet and choice measures of poetry. He was an easy and graceful writer, and his English was singularly pure. His public addresses were almost faultless in their construction, and were delivered with a dignity and impressiveness which held the attention of an audience till the last word was spoken. He was in every regard worthy of all the high honors which his appreciative brethren conferred upon him, and was faithful to every duty and responsibility which his exalted positions involved. His dignified bearing, sweet spirit, and exhaustive knowledge of parliamentary order and Masonic jurisprudence rendered him a presiding officer of acknowledged ability and skill. His rulings were always wise, just and satisfactory.

A comprehensive review of the brother's Masonic labors and services will be found in the printed Transactions of the Grand Lodge of New York, from the year 1850 to the year 1888. Of these, the Grand Master says, in his Annual Address, referring to the departed: "Would you see his Masonic Memorial? Look at our present Constitution, Statutes, Code of Procedure, and Rules of Order. Would you read one of the Master Masonic orations of this or any other age? Turn to the one he delivered at the dedication of this building. Would you possess a fund of general Masonic information? Study his addresses and examine his arguments."

"His work was well done. It was all done. Let his own language conclude this brief tribute; 'When my labors are over, I seek no higher praise than the simple, but expressive, eulogy inscribed upon the tomb of one of earth's lowly but faithful ones, "He hath done what he could."'"

"Life's labor done,
Serenely to his final rest he passed."

BRO. JAMES MACMURRAY AUSTIN, 33°, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York, was born at Salem, Washington County, in the State of New York, in 1813. He received his education primarily in the common schools of his native village, and later entered Union College, at Schenectady, N. Y., where he attained his collegiate honors in his twenty-sixth year. He then entered upon the study of medicine at Albany, where he received his diploma as an M. D. four years later. He at once entered upon the practice of his profession at Waterford and Lansingburg, where he devoted himself faithfully to his calling for the next ten years. In 1853 he removed to the City of New York, where his professional reputation commanded a continuance of an extended and profitable practice, which, in connection with his popularity, at once gave him high distinction in the leading circles of that city.

BRO. AUSTIN was made a Mason in Phoenix Lodge, Lansingburg, May 2, 1844, and for several years he filled every office in its gift, and for a series of successive terms was its presiding officer. He subsequently affiliated with Clinton Lodge, No. 140, at Waterford, Saratoga County, of which it was alleged he was a member at the time of his election to the office of Grand Secretary, in 1853.

In July, 1853, he affiliated with Mariners' Lodge, New York City, and continued therein until the revival of Howard Lodge, No. 35, in 1857, when he associated himself with that Lodge.

BRO. AUSTIN was made a Royal Arch Mason in Phoenix R. A. Chapter, No. 133, in 1849, and some four years subsequently he became associated with Phoenix Chapter, No. 2, of New York City. He held prominent official stations in both of these Chapters. In 1856 he united with Orient Chapter, No. 138, of the same city, and in the latter served as High Priest for two consecutive terms. In 1862 he became a member of Jerusalem Chapter, No. 8, in which he retained membership to the time of his death.

He received the Cryptic degrees in Adelpic Council, No. 7, R. and S. M., and was created a Knight Templar in Morton Commandery, No. 4, K. T., in 1854.

He received the various grades of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, up to and including the 32°, in 1856; receiving the last grade in Cosmopolitan Consistory, at New York.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General (33°), and elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction, at New York, in 1866.

Having served as Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New York, he was elected Grand High Priest in 1859; and subsequently, in 1868, at the triennial conclave held at St. Louis, he was chosen General Grand High Priest of the G. G. Chapter of R. A. M. of the United States.

He succeeded Bro. Dr. James W. Powell as Grand



Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New York, in 1853, and held the office continually, till his death, December 2, 1881, when he was succeeded by Bro. Ehlers, the present efficient Grand Secretary of that body.

BRO. JOSEPH DAVIS EVANS, 33°, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, was born in the city of New York, July 28, 1807, and died in Brooklyn, N. Y., September 11, 1888.

The early life of BRO. EVANS was marked by no special circumstance beyond the fact that religious privileges and culture were not the least he enjoyed at his father's hearthstone.

At an early period he went to Virginia, locating at Lynchburg, where he began the tobacco business, and in which he achieved phenomenal success. About 1842 he removed to Richmond, Va., and later, in 1848, he returned to New York City, with whose name and commercial fame and prosperity he subsequently became closely connected and identified. He became and for many years was the President of the New York Tobacco Board of Trade, which position was necessarily made conspicuous by his successful dispute with the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, who had initiated a fruitless crusade against the bonded tobacco warehouses. The important results achieved by BRO. EVANS and those acting with him bore rich harvests, and that branch of business has felt their influence to this day.

BRO. EVANS was made a Mason in Marshall Lodge, No. 39, F. A. M., of Lynchburg, Va., in 1842, while a resident of that city. When, in 1848, he returned to New York to reside, his brethren, with great unanimity, complimented him with documentary evidence of their regard, and as an earnest of their fraternal affection presented him with a Past Master's jewel.

His Masonic record in the Empire State is full of interest, not only personal to himself, but in that relation which honorably connects his name with the written and unwritten history of years. Affiliating with Anglo-Saxon Lodge, No. 137, of Brooklyn, October 5, 1848, he actively entered upon that career which subsequently carried him to the topmost round of the Masonic ladder. As Master of Anglo-Saxon Lodge he won pre-eminent distinction, which led to his elevation to the honorable station of Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge in 1852 and 1853, and to that of Grand Master in 1854 and 1855, the duties of which office he discharged with marked ability and to the entire satisfaction of the Craft, who showed their appreciation of his services in their behalf by presenting him with a massive silver service as an earnest of their fraternal love and esteem.

BRO. EVANS was also the recipient of Capitular, Cryptic and Chivalric advancement, and in the respective bodies to which he became attached, displayed the utmost zeal and energy in the performance of duty.

In the adjustment and settlement of the Grand Lodge troubles of 1849 in New York State, BRO. EVANS took an active part, and by his prudence and cool judgment did much to bring harmony out of chaos and confusion, and to establish prosperity and peace; and the constitutional legislation inaugurated by him in 1857, was the keynote of that harmonious union which finally culminated in 1858, under such pleasant and memorable auspices.

To BRO. EVANS is also due the credit of initiating and putting in operation the system of diplomatic representation between the several Masonic powers of the world, which has since so largely conduced to the interchange of fraternal relations everywhere.

He was an unusually energetic worker in all departments of Masonry, but more especially in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in which he attained the highest honors. At the time of his death he was Grand Minister of State, which office he had held for many years and discharged its duties with marked ability. He was also active in securing the union of the several bodies at New York in 1866, and in planting upon a more solid and enduring foundation the present Supreme Council of that Rite.

As a man and citizen ILL. BRO. EVANS held the highest regards of his fellow-men, and his life, extending over four-score years, was one free from spot or blemish. His genial nature always arose superior to the small annoyances of life, and he never abated his cheerfulness or his cordiality. He was charitable, kind and confiding, a true friend and brother.

BRO. WILLIAM MOORE SMITH, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was born in the city of Philadelphia, in 1759, and was a son of the distinguished Bro. William Smith, the Provost of the College of Pennsylvania at that time, and for some years the honored Grand Secretary and Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of that State. He received his education at the College (now University) of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1775. He then entered upon the study of the law, and in due course was admitted to practice at the bar. He met with eminent success, soon acquiring a decided prominence before the early courts of the province as a counsellor and advocate. He also became actively identified with the many enterprises of the day, and was recognized as a leader among the enterprising spirits of the Colonial era. He received the agency for the settlement of British claims in America, provided for under Jay's Treaty, and in the adjustment of these gained for himself great credit for fairness and impartiality.

BRO. SMITH was made a Mason in St. John's Lodge of Philadelphia, and after filling some of the subordinate stations in Symbolic and Grand Lodge, was elected and served as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in the years 1795, 1796 and 1797. His administration was marked with an unusual spirit of activity, and he gave to the Fraternity





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much of its stability and worth through his pre-eminent services and dignified address as its head.

BRO. SMITH died in the city of Philadelphia, in 1821, in the sixty-second year of his age, beloved and esteemed by the community, and his demise was sincerely mourned by the Craft, whose honors he had so generously enjoyed while living.

BRO. COMMODORE EDWARD PREBLE, the distinguished American Naval Commander, was born in Portland, Maine, on August 15, 1761. He was the son of Hon. Jedediah Preble, a brigadier-general under the government of Massachusetts Bay, and after the commencement of the Revolution, a member of the Council and Senate. He also became a Judge of the Court of Common Pleas in his later years; was a member of Portland Lodge, No. 1, of Portland, Maine, of which Lodge he was also the first Treasurer, and at the close of an honorable and well-spent life, died in Portland, in 1783, at the age of seventy-seven.

Young Edward was designed for a liberal education and profession, and at a suitable age was placed at Dummer Academy, in Newbury. But manifesting a disposition for athletic and adventurous exercises, and a firm, resolute, and persevering temper, with an inclination for a seafaring life, his father, though opposed to his choice, placed him on board a ship. By his daring and intrepidity he soon gained himself no little honor, and was rapidly promoted until he became a first lieutenant on board the sloop of war "Winthrop," Captain Little, commander. On this vessel he continued until the close of the war. After the war he was a ship-master, in successive voyages, for a number of years.

In 1798, the government having constructed and commissioned some fifteen frigates and about twelve other vessels of war, **BRO. PREBLE** was one of the five first lieutenants first appointed. In the winter of 1798-9 he made two cruises as commander of the brig "Pickering," and the next year, with a captain's commission, he received command of the frigate "Essex," of thirty-six guns. He subsequently commanded the "Adams" for a short time, but owing to failing health was obliged to seek release from active duty for a time. In 1803, however, he resumed active duty, when he commenced operations against the Algerine pirates, which not only redounded much to his own credit, but also exalted the character of the American navy in the eyes of all nations. On this occasion he commanded the frigate "Constitution," and had under him, also, the frigate "Philadelphia," and several smaller vessels.

The satisfactory negotiation concluded by **BRO. COM. PREBLE** with the Emperor of Morocco and the details of the memorable bombardment of Tripoli, till he was relieved by the arrival of his senior, Commander Barron, are familiar to all readers of American history. The value of his services was duly recognized by a vote of Congress conferring upon him the thanks of the nation, and an elegant medal, which were both

presented by the President, with the most emphatic expressions of esteem.

BRO. COMMODORE PREBLE was also a member of Portland Lodge, No. 1, of Portland, Me., and though never holding official station in his Lodge, he nevertheless took an active interest in its welfare, and when at home, or off duty while in his country's service, was a regular attendant.

In the latter part of 1806, his health began again to fail, under his old complaint, debility of the digestive organs, and he struggled with it for some months, indulging a hope of recovery till within ten days of his death, which occurred on the 25th day of August, 1807, in the forty-sixth year of his age.

The citizens of Portland united in every mark of respect to his remains. On the day of his funeral all business was suspended, the colors were displayed at half-mast in the harbor, and he was interred with military and Masonic honors.

BRO. WILLIAM R. SMITH, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin, was born in the city of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, in 1785, and was a son of **BRO. William Moore Smith**, Past Grand Master of Masons of Pennsylvania, and grandson of **BRO. Dr. William Smith**, Provost of the College (now University) of Pennsylvania, and for some years the Grand Secretary and Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

In early life, the subject of our sketch went to the State of Wisconsin, where he settled, lived and died. He became one of the prominent pioneers of that State in its early days, and the records of that Commonwealth attest to the many valuable services he rendered in the establishment and upbuilding of its social fabric, both as a legislator and an administrator of the law.

He had at an early age followed in the footsteps of his father and grandfather and availed himself of an introduction to Masonic light, in which he also became destined to like eminence. In July, 1841, at Mineral Point, Wisconsin, he with eight other brethren, having previously petitioned the Grand Lodge of the State of Missouri for a dispensation, established a Lodge at that place. This Lodge, now No. 1, was one of the three lodges, then in existence, which, in 1843, by their representatives met in convention at Madison, the Capital, and organized the present Grand Lodge of that State. At this convention **BRO. SMITH** was elected Grand Secretary. He was an enthusiastic Mason and very materially assisted in the work of rearing the institution of Masonry on a substantial foundation, serving two years as Grand Master and ten years as Grand Secretary.

BRO. SMITH, in his intercourse with his fellow men, was ever affable and courteous, his genial nature and kindness of heart endearing him to his brethren, by whom he was greatly beloved and sincerely mourned, when in August, 1868, at the advanced age of eighty-three, he was gathered to his fathers.



BRO. CLINTON FREEMAN PAIGE, 33°, Grand Secretary General, H. E., A. A. S. R. for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, was born in the town of Dryden, Tompkins County, New York, September 10, 1827. His father was a physician, but died when his son Clinton was little over ten years of age, and the mother followed, leaving the orphan of sixteen years.

BRO. PAIGE was educated at the Cortland Academy, Cortland, New York, and was admitted to the bar September 5, 1848, although not sworn in until several days after, upon his becoming 21 years of age. He has resided in several cities of the State, but for a number of years has been a resident at his beautiful home in Binghamton. For a long period his business occupation has been that of a Fire Insurance Adjuster, in which his success has been most gratifying. But when we come to state his Masonic career, the data of work done and positions held, we are appalled. From the time he was made a Mason in Syracuse Lodge, No. 102, at Syracuse, Onondaga County, New York, March 24, 1853, to the active positions still held by him, we might say, name almost all that exist and you have the narrative. On June 7, 1853, he became a Charter Member of Central City Lodge, No. 305, was its first Junior Deacon, then its Senior, and in December, 1855, became its Master, continuing as such until 1860.

He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Central City Chapter, No. 70, June 17, 1853, in the next year was the Royal Arch Captain, then the Captain of the Host, and in 1857 the King. He affiliated December 3, 1861, with Binghamton Chapter, No. 139, and within two weeks was elected High Priest, a position he held for ten years.

He was Knighted in Utica Commandery, No. 3, on December 16, 1853. He became a Charter Member of Central City Commandery, No. 25, K. T., which received its dispensation March 17, 1856, and its Charter, February 6, 1857. **SIR KNIGHT PAIGE** was the first Commander, and so remained until 1861. On April 17, 1863, he affiliated with Malta Commandery, No. 21, of Binghamton, and on the same day was elected its Commander, and so continued until 1871.

The degrees of Royal and Select Master were received by him in Central City Council, No. 13, June 8, 1858.

The ten years of office in the Grand Lodge of the State of New York were memorable ones, as they covered a period of National, political and Masonic excitement. In 1856, **BRO. PAIGE** was the Junior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge; in the year succeeding, the Grand Marshal; in 1858 and 1859, the Junior Grand Warden, and the Senior in 1860 and 1861; in 1862, the Deputy Grand Master; and in 1863 and 1864, the M. W. Grand Master, declining a unanimous re-election in 1865. This covered the period of the Civil War.

COMPANION PAIGE was the Grand Captain of the Host in the Grand Chapter of the State, in 1875 and 1876.

He received the degrees of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in the Supreme Council, N. M. J., June 4, 1862, and was the first Senior Grand Warden of Otseningo Lodge of Perfection, at Binghamton, chartered on May 16, 1867, and so continued until 1883, when he was elected Master. Thus, also, in the Council, Chapter of Rose-Croix and Consistory, chartered on the same day, May 16, 1867, in the Council, the first Deputy Master; in the Chapter, the first Senior Grand Warden; and in the Consistory, the first Commander-in-Chief. Of the latter Body he has continued Commander-in-Chief to the present time (1895).

In the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, **ILL. BRO. PAIGE** was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°), September 10, 1862, and from that time until October, 1864, was the Deputy of the Supreme Body for the State of New York, when the union of all the Supreme Councils of the A. A. S. R. in the jurisdiction was effected. On October 20, 1864, **ILL. BRO. PAIGE** was elected an Active Member of the Council, and for six years, 1867 to 1873, held the office of Grand Minister of State. In the last mentioned year he was elected Grand Secretary General, and has held that station, through re-election, ever since.

Frequently but not always the character of the man is indicated by his features and bearing; and his demeanor marks his inner being. The index is plainly discernible in the subject before us. He bears his weight of five feet ten with that poise which bespeaks his uprightness; he is physically erect and well-balanced. The head is finely set upon the shoulders, showing strength of character. He is kindly, genial and yet determined in purpose. His perceptive faculties are well developed and quick in action, and his descriptive abilities are strong. Intellectually he is bright, and strikingly active, possessing shrewdness and excellent judgment.

Though well advanced in years, **ILL. BRO. PAIGE** is still an active and zealous Craftsman, manifesting as sincere and devoted interest in the welfare of the Fraternity as ever. He commands the love and respect of the entire brotherhood in an eminent degree, and his counsels exert a most salutary influence at all times.

BRO. PHILIP SYNG, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was born in Ireland in 1703, and came with his father to America in 1714, and settled at Annapolis, Maryland. His father, also named Philip Syng, was a Mason, and united with the brethren of Annapolis, Md., in applying for a charter for Amanda Lodge, No. 12, of that place, of which he was an active and honored member until his death.

BRO. SYNG early in life removed to Philadelphia, where he acquired a wide reputation as a silversmith,





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a number of his artistic works being yet in existence, and much treasured by their owners. Among these is an inkstand, preserved in Independence Hall, Philadelphia. This was made in 1752 for the General Assembly of Pennsylvania, was used by the Continental Congress, during its sessions in Philadelphia, and at the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

He was an original member of Bro.: Benjamin Franklin's Library Company of Philadelphia, of the "Junto," the American Philosophical Society, and the Fishing Club, styled "The Colony of Schuylkill." He was a fellow-student with Franklin of the science of electricity, imparting to the latter valuable suggestions, acknowledged and applauded.

BRO.: SYNG was Treasurer of Philadelphia County from 1758 to 1769, and was appointed Provisional Commissioner of Appeal in 1764; signed the non-importation resolutions of 1765, and was a vestryman of Christ Episcopal Church and a trustee of the College (now University) of Pennsylvania.

He was made a Mason in St. John's Lodge, of Philadelphia, in December, 1734. In 1737, he was elected and served as Junior Grand Warden, and in 1738 was appointed Deputy Grand Master by Grand Master Bro.: Joseph Shippen. On June 24, 1741, he was elected Provincial Grand Master, and served with marked ability to the great advantage and honor of his distinguished confreres.

He died, May 8, 1789, and his remains were interred in Christ Church ground, Fifth and Arch streets, Philadelphia, not far from those of Bro.: Franklin, with whom he was so intimate in life.

BRO.: JOHN BANNISTER GIBSON, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and for many years Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of that Commonwealth, was born in Sherman's Valley, Perry County, Pennsylvania, November 8, 1780. His father was Colonel George Gibson, a Revolutionary hero, who fell during the Indian warfare on the Miami, while with St. Clair's expedition. His mother was an educated Irish woman, born near Sligo, her father having been a Trinity College man. His education was derived from a country school, the grammar school of Dickinson College, and its Junior and Senior Classes. He read law with Judge Thomas Duncan, and was admitted to the Cumberland County bar in 1803. In early life he had also a fondness for the study of medicine, and while in Dickinson College he frequented the office of Dr. McCoskrey, the father of Bishop McCoskrey. He sought practice at the bar, first in Beaver, Pennsylvania, and afterwards at Hagerstown, Maryland, but without success. He then removed to Carlisle, where he was more fortunate, and laid the foundation of his future eminence.

BRO.: GIBSON'S Masonic career was extended and distinguished. He was admitted a member of Lodge No. 43, Lancaster, Pa., on December 30, 1811; from this Lodge he dimitted March 11, 1812, and affiliated with Lodge No. 61, at Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Here his

advancement was rapid. He served two terms as Worshipful Master of Lodge No. 61, in 1814 and 1815. In December, 1821, he was elected Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania—his first station in the Grand Lodge. In December, 1822, he was re-elected Deputy Grand Master, and in December, 1823, was elevated to the honorable station of Grand Master and served for one year.

BRO.: GIBSON was appointed President-Judge of the Eleventh Judicial District of Pennsylvania in 1813; in 1816, on the death of Judge Breckinridge, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, by Governor Snyder; Chief Justice in 1827, on the death of Chief Justice Tilghman, and was re-appointed in 1838. In 1851 the Judiciary was made elective, when Judge GIBSON resigned, and was elected an Associate Justice, and served as such until the time of his death, at Philadelphia, on May 3, 1853.

He possessed remarkable versatility of genius, and was always ready to engage in sportive enjoyments. He was a born musician, and a perfect devotee of the violin. In his social intercourse he had this remarkable quality; he rarely spoke on the subject of law. Poetry, music and painting were his themes, and his great delight; and for a good joke, or for an agreeable and harmless story, very often at his own expense, no man was his superior. While sitting on the bench, trying causes, during the speech of prosy advocates, he would often amuse himself by writing poetry or drawing a fancy sketch; and he once remarked, in a merry way, that he had at last reached the object of his highest ambition, which was to keep his eye fixed on a dull speaker while his thoughts were employed with more agreeable objects.

BRO.: GIBSON was of impressive appearance, being six feet four inches in height, of muscular frame, with an intellectual, sprightly countenance, and frank, simple, and yet earnest address. He was perfectly free from affectation and pretension. For nearly a quarter of a century he was the Chief Justice and when he was nominally superseded by another, as the head of the Court, his great learning, venerable character, and overshadowing reputation, still made him the only Chief whom the hearts of the people would know. During the long period of his judicial labors he discussed and decided innumerable questions. His opinions are to be found in no less than seventy volumes of the regular reports. At the time of his death he had been longer in office than any contemporary judge in the world; and in some points of character he had not his equal on earth. Such vigor, clearness, and precision of thought were never before united with the same felicity of diction.

He was a man whom the citizens and the Craft of that Commonwealth delighted to honor. Both conferred upon him the highest office in their gift, and received from him long-continued, faithful, and invaluable service, and these, with his Masonic virtues, will long be treasured in the memory of both.





BRO.: JOSEPH EDWARD SIMMONS, 33°, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, was born in the city of Troy, New York, September 9, 1841, and on the paternal side is of Dutch descent, his great-grandfather having settled in this country in the early part of the last century. On the maternal side his ancestors were natives of New Hampshire, his great-grand-parent having borne a conspicuous part in the war of the Revolution for American Independence. He began his education at the Old Troy Academy, Troy, N. Y., continued it at a boarding school at Sand Lake, preparatory to entering college; in 1858 entered Williams College and graduated in 1862. He next began the study of law at the Albany Law School, received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1863, and in the same year was admitted to practice.

BRO.: SIMMONS followed the practice of his profession in Troy until 1867, when he removed to New York City and engaged in the Banking and Brokerage business. Owing to the impairment of his health, however, he retired from business in 1872, and went to Florida to recuperate his health. Two years later, he returned to New York and resumed business on Wall Street, which he successfully continued for the next ten years, building up and consolidating those high business and professional qualifications which have so pre-eminently marked his subsequent career.

In 1884, **BRO.: SIMMONS** was unanimously proposed by the nominating committee of the New York Stock Exchange for the office of President of that body. It was in a time of panic, and the affairs of the Exchange were in a turbulent condition. Its recently elected President had become disqualified by reason of the suspension of his firm, and the prestige of the Exchange was seriously at stake. It was a matter of vital importance that the confidence of the country, in its great financial market, should be kept unimpaired. To accomplish this, and to bring order out of chaos, the Stock Exchange looked to but one man, **BRO.: SIMMONS**, and the result showed the wisdom of the selection. He received in an unprecedented large poll a higher number of votes than any previous President in a contested election. Entering immediately upon his onerous duties, with rare tact and judgment, he at once demonstrated his ability to satisfy the highest expectations of the Exchange, and his term of office proved such a brilliant success that he was re-elected unanimously for a second term. He declined a third nomination, however, on account of his health. At his retirement he was the recipient from the Governing Committee of a series of handsomely engrossed resolutions, couched in language of a highly laudatory nature, and strongly expressing the appreciation of the committee on his successful efforts to further the interests of that body. This was also accompanied, as a further evidence of the personal respect and esteem entertained for him, by the presentation of a beautiful gold watch, bearing an appropriate and flattering inscription.

After a trip of several months' duration to Europe, in search of health, **BRO.: SIMMONS** was, in 1886, unanimously chosen President of the Board of Education of New York City, with which body he had been connected since 1881 as a Commissioner. This position he held for five years.

In January, 1888, **BRO.: SIMMONS** was elected President of the Fourth National Bank of New York City. When invited to accept this distinguished position, he did not know a single member of the Board of Directors, owned no stock in the Corporation, and had never been in the Bank. The Bank is one of the leading banks of the United States, has a capital of \$3,200,000, and its gross deposits are not far from \$30,000,000. The chief direction of such an institution is a weighty matter and calls for exceptional skill in finance and the constant exercise of great tact and unimpeachable honesty. It is not surprising, therefore, when it was shown that during his career of fully twenty years in Wall Street, **BRO.: SIMMONS** had never failed to meet a contract, had never been sued, and that in financial circles nothing whatever was known of him save what was to his credit, that a committee of conservative bankers should have urged him to accept the presidency of the great institution they represented, and which had absolute need, at its head, of a man of the very highest character and of the purest record.

BRO.: SIMMONS is a democrat in political faith. Among the many public honors sought to be conferred upon him, but which he has been obliged to decline, was that of Mayor of New York City, the nomination for which has been repeatedly urged upon him. Another proposed honor was the Collectorship of the Port of New York in 1885, which was strongly urged by public men and politicians of all shades, and endorsed by Ex-Governor Samuel J. Tilden, whose closest personal friendship he enjoyed for many years.

BRO.: SIMMONS is a member of the University, the Manhattan, the Players', the Lawyers', and the New York Athletic Clubs, and of the St. Nicholas and New England Societies. He takes an active interest in benevolent matters, and for many years has been President of the New York Infant Asylum, and a Governor of the New York Hospital. He is also a member of St. Thomas' Episcopal Church.

In recognition of his eminent services in the cause of education, the University of Norwich, Vermont, conferred upon **BRO.: SIMMONS** the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, in June, 1885.

His career as a Mason has been likewise exceptionally brilliant and eminent in the highest degree, and few men enjoy a purer record of characteristic Masonic worth and exalted Masonic virtues. Entering the Fraternity, December 5, 1864, in Mount Zion Lodge, No. 311, of Troy, N. Y., he labored with the brethren of that Lodge faithfully for the next ten years, when he affiliated with Kane Lodge, No. 454, of New York City, becoming Master of the latter Lodge in 1877, and again in 1878.





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He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Jerusalem Chapter, No. 8, of New York City, November 20, 1874, and was created a Knight Templar in Cœur de Leon Commandery, No. 23, of New York City, October 1, 1878. Of the latter body he was Eminent Commander in 1881.

BRO. SIMMONS also filled the offices of District Deputy Grand Master of the Sixth Masonic District, in 1877-78, of Grand Marshal in 1879-80, of Deputy Grand Master in 1882, and in 1883 he was unanimously chosen Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York, a position which he pre-eminently dignified by his excellent judgment and matchless worth.

He received the various Grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in the Lodge, Council, Chapter and Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°, of New York City, on December 16, 1875.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°) and was elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, at Boston, Mass., September 15, 1885.

ILL. BRO. SIMMONS has frequently appeared before the public, both as a writer and speaker, and has always received the most flattering reception. On public, educational, Masonic, and other topics, he has both written and spoken widely and influentially, and while the press notices of these have been invariably laudatory and fully published, many have also appeared in pamphlet form, while several addresses on educational matters have been placed in wide and special circulation by the Department of Education.

In every position of trust that he has held, his executive ability and devoted attention to duty have gained for him the reputation of an admirable officer. His popularity is bounded by no business or social lines, and is greatest where he is best known. His ample means make him entirely independent of salary, and with the exception of his bank presidency, all his official positions hitherto have been those in which honor has been the only emolument.

BRO. EDWARD COPPEE MITCHELL, LL.D., Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was born in the city of Savannah, Georgia, on the 24th day of July, 1836, and died in the city of Philadelphia, January 25, 1887. He was the son of Dr. John James Mitchell, a prominent physician of Savannah, and the grandson of the Hon. David Brydie Mitchell, a native of Scotland, who came to this country and settled in Georgia, became a Justice of the Supreme Court and the Governor of that Commonwealth. His mother was a daughter of Edward Coppée, a worthy member of a family which has given to our country eminent soldiers, scholars and men of letters. Both of BRO. MITCHELL'S parents died while he was young. In his 16th year he was brought to Philadelphia by his uncle, the Rt. Rev. William Bacon Stevens, then Bishop of the P. E. Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania. After pass-

ing through the preparatory schools, his education was completed in the University of Pennsylvania, from which he graduated in 1855. He entered upon the study of law and was admitted to practice in the courts of Philadelphia shortly after.

In October, 1872, he was appointed a temporary lecturer in the Law School of the University of Pennsylvania, and in April, 1873, he was elected Professor of the Law of Real Estate and Equity Jurisprudence. He was chosen Dean of the Law Department of the University, and immediately set to work to enlarge its sphere of action and increase its usefulness, and his success was such that the Law School of that University now ranks among the first in this country.

BRO. MITCHELL was made a Mason in Rising Star Lodge, No. 126, on the 27th day of April, 1863. After serving in several subordinate stations in the Lodge he was elected Junior Warden, and performed duty in that office for the Masonic year commencing on St. John's Day, 1870. In 1872 he served as Senior Warden, and in 1873 as Worshipful Master.

His services in the Grand Lodge were of a varied and most useful character. They began almost upon his entrance into the Grand Lodge, and continued until a few weeks before his death. In 1873 he was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Correspondence, a place which he held for two years. Of his report for the year 1874, Bro. Drummond, of Maine, said, "It is carefully prepared, and reflects much credit upon its author, in spite of his modest deprecation of criticism."

In 1876 BRO. MITCHELL was appointed a member of the Committee on Appeals, and served on that committee as its secretary for two years. He was also the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodges of Idaho and Georgia.

On December 4, 1878, he was elected Junior Grand Warden. After serving two years in that station, he was elected and served as Senior Grand Warden for the next two succeeding years, as Deputy Grand Master for the two years thereafter, and as Right Worshipful Master for the years 1884-85.

BRO. MITCHELL was a member and Past High Priest of Oriental Holy R. A. Chapter, No. 183, of Pennsylvania, and was created a Knight in Kadosh Commandery, No. 29, K. T., of Philadelphia, but he never accepted the honors of official station in the latter body.

His administration as Grand Master was wise and successful, harmony and good order prevailed, and peace and prosperity resulted therefrom. His manners were graceful and easy; he was approachable, kind, and considerate, and yet he was positive in his judgments and firm in enforcing them.

In his domestic relations, he was extremely well contented and happy. He married his cousin Eliza, daughter of Bishop Stevens, who, with six children, were left to mourn the loss of a fond and affectionate father.





BRO. WILLIAM A. BRODIE, 33°, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New York, retired from the exalted position to which he was called by the Grand Lodge of the Empire State, having so administered the important trusts that devolved upon him as to win the hearty commendations of all his Brethren.

BRO. BRODIE as a lad was thoughtful and studious, fond of books, though by no means lacking in the elements of an active, robust life. Making the most of his opportunities, and cultivating carefully the powers of an originally strong mind, he gathered the varied acquisitions of learning and experience which constitute a good education.

Reaching man's estate with a natural aptitude for business, and winning favor by his gifts and graces of character, it was but natural that he should be rapidly advanced to important positions.

His sterling integrity and conscientious discharge of all obligations assumed, are fully recognized wherever he is known.

BRO. BRODIE was born in Kilbarchan, Renfrewshire, Scotland, August 9, 1841. His parents, William Brodie and Mary Wilson, were born in the same place, and of old and well-known families. He came to America in 1843 with his parents, who settled in Rochester, N. Y. Illness forced him to give up his studies; but after several years he took up a systematic course, and though self-educated, is a liberally educated man.

He began business life as a boy in a Rochester mercantile house, remaining there nine years as cashier and bookkeeper. He was married at the age of twenty-one to Miss Laura A. Diver, of Henrietta, N. Y., who died in 1885, leaving a son, Warren James Brodie. BRO. BRODIE was again married, in 1889, to Martha A. Woodbury, of Royalston, Massachusetts. In 1863 he removed to Geneseo, New York, and entered the employ of General James S. Wadsworth, and remains in business connection as manager of two branches of the Wadsworth estate. He was elected County Treasurer five times, each time for three years. He is a member and secretary of the local Board of Managers of the State Normal School, and also of the Wadsworth Free Library of Geneseo.

BRO. BRODIE was made a Mason in Geneseo Lodge, No. 214, in September, 1863, and was elected Secretary of the Lodge in December of the same year, serving two years. He afterwards filled the offices of Junior Warden and Senior Warden. He was elected Master in 1869, presiding over the Lodge seven years between that date and 1881. He was District Deputy Grand Master for the Twenty-second District during the years 1872, 1873, 1875 and 1876. He was Grand Steward in 1874, 1878 and 1879; Junior Grand Warden in 1879 and 1880; Senior Grand Warden in 1881 and 1882; Deputy Grand Master in 1883, and Grand Master in 1884, being elected to every office without opposition. He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Geneseo Chapter in 1867, and was created a

Knight Templar in Monroe Commandery of Rochester in 1873. He also received the degrees of the Scottish Rite, Northern Jurisdiction, at Rochester, and on September 25, 1885, was crowned a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°) at Boston, Mass.

His first appearance in the Grand Lodge was in June, 1866, representing his mother Lodge as Junior Warden; he has been a member of the Grand Lodge every year since. His term as Grand Master was a somewhat eventful one. He laid the corner-stone of the foundation of Bartholdi's Statue of Liberty in New York Harbor. When the village of Carthage, New York, was destroyed by fire, an appeal was issued by the Grand Lodge to the Lodges, which brought prompt responses. A serious trouble that arose between his predecessor and the Lodges working in the German language, threatened a disruption of the Grand Lodge. This was entirely harmonized by his continuing the wise action of his predecessor, which not only maintained the dignity of the Grand Mastership, but entirely satisfied the German brethren. With his associates, Grand Lodge Officers, and St. John's Lodge, No. 1, he participated in the ceremonies of the dedication of the Washington Monument, at Washington, District of Columbia, February 21, 1885.

In his official visitations his great effort was to pave the way for the payment of the Hall and Asylum indebtedness, which was grandly done by his successor, who, in his annual address, in 1889, paid this tribute to BRO. BRODIE:

"But what shall I say of my immediate predecessor, the MOST WORSHIPFUL WILLIAM A. BRODIE, who, relinquishing your highest honors, went out into the ranks, and has served in every department of labor with all the zeal of the youngest apprentice, thus furnishing an example which I hope may never be forgotten by any of his successors."

After retiring from the Grand Mastership he was not idle in the Masonic field; he was Chairman of the Committee on Selection of a Site for the Asylum, and for three years Chairman of the Standing Committee on Hall and Asylum Fund.

In 1888 he visited his native land and England, making a special study of Masonic charities. While abroad he was made an Honorary Member of St. Barchan's Lodge, No. 156, of the Grand Lodge of Scotland, in his native village, whose charter is dated November 1, 1784.

A very pleasant incident in his Masonic life was the raising to the degree of Master Mason of his son in Geneseo Lodge, No. 214, on the evening of September 8, 1885, on which occasion Grand Master Lawrence and other Grand Lodge officers were present with about two hundred brethren from the neighboring city of Rochester.

BRO. BRODIE is the President of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Hall and Asylum Fund. This Board has charge of the Masonic Home at Utica, and the ability, experience and knowledge of its





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President here find ample and pleasurable employment.

BRO. BRODIE is a Presbyterian in religious faith, an elder in that church, and frequently a representative in its Presbyteries, Synods and General Assemblies, and has also been a delegate in international pan-presbyterian councils. His favorite field of work is with the young people, and for years he has taught a Bible Class of young women, numbering upwards of one hundred students in the State Normal School at Geneseo, N. Y., who are preparing to teach in the public schools of the State.

BRO. JOSEPH MYERS LEVEY, 33°, Past Ill. Grand Treasurer of the Consistory of New York City, was born in Dover, Kent County, England, June 2, 1820, the first son of Worshipful Bro. Manuel Levéy, a prominent and influential resident of that city. He received a liberal education in England, and afterward went to France to complete his studies, where he became a classical scholar and obtained high merit in the various branches. On his return to England, through the influence of his father, he entered the employment of the government, and soon after went to Australia, where he occupied high positions of trust for several years.

The glowing account of the gold fever of California finally induced him to leave for San Francisco, where he entered the service of a large firm trading between the Sandwich Islands and California. About 1856 he went to Nevada City, and became prominently connected with the principal parties of the city, and, being about the only one competent for the work, was for several years assistant to the Judge of the District Court, becoming prothonotary and for many years did all the business of the county clerk. He became a citizen of the country August 22, 1857, while residing at Nevada City, and two years later, he crossed the portals of Masonry. He received the Entered Apprentice Degree, September 3, 1859, was passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft, October 1, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason October 15, in the same year, in Nevada Lodge, No. 13. He served this Lodge as Steward in 1861, and as Marshal in 1862.

He received the Capitular degrees in Nevada Chapter, No. 6, R. A. M., in 1860, became Master of the Third Veil in 1862, and served as Secretary from 1863 to 1866.

While residing in Nevada City, he controlled a large drug business, but was burned out twice, the last time leaving nothing, even all his personal goods and money being stolen. Returning to San Francisco, he re-entered the firm where he was first engaged.

In 1869 BRO. LEVÉY dimitted from Nevada Lodge and Chapter, and came East to reside in New York. In 1873 he joined Manhattan Lodge, No. 489, became an Honorary Member of Howard Lodge, No. 35, and subsequently entered Star of Cuba Lodge, No. 742, of which he became Master, serving for two terms in 1882 and 1883. He next accepted the Treasurership,

which he held for a period of five years. He was appointed one of the Committee on Antiquities of the Masonic Hall, acting as Secretary, and did a large amount of work in arranging the multifarious articles which were contributed, and increased the interest by a number of donations of his own in that line.

On June 5, 1873, he affiliated with Ancient Chapter No. 1, of New York, of which he was Scribe in 1875 and 1876, and was elected High Priest, serving during 1877 and 1878. At this time he carefully collected the old Records of his Chapter, and completed a full list of all members thereof, with all information and data, and list of all officers, from the earliest time, which he kept carefully written by himself up to the last Convocation of June, 1888. This is now preserved as the "Sacred Roll." In the Grand Chapter of New York he was active on the subject of the History of Royal Arch Masonry, and through his influence the work was begun, and he had done great service in elucidating the early standing of the first Chapters in the State. He left a large amount of material for the making of a complete history, and which will prove of extreme value to whoever may take up the work in the future.

BRO. LEVÉY was the Representative of the Grand Chapter of North Carolina near the Grand Chapter of New York, from July 15, 1885, to the time of his death.

In the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, he was received in the Lodge of Perfection of New York City on June 20, 1873; in the Council of Princes of Jerusalem of New York City on September 12, 1873; in the Chapter of Rose-Croix of New York City on September 26, following; and on November 5, 1873, was created a Prince of the Royal Secret in the Consistory of New York City. In the Council he was elected S. P. Grand Master, which station he filled with great honor from 1875 to 1878. He served in various positions in all the Bodies, principally as Trustee, in which he was most exact in all matters relating thereto. In 1885 he became Treasurer of the Consistory, which position he held at the time of his death, and his work here met commendation from all for its detailed faithfulness to the interests of the Craft.

He received the Royal Order of Scotland and was admitted to the Provincial Grand Lodge of the United States of America, at Washington, D. C., on December 1, 1881.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°) and elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States on September 15, 1885.

He was a member of the College of Rosicrucians of New York State, having attained the Eighth Degree; and in May, 1887, became a Corresponding-Member of the Quatuor Coronati Lodge, No. 2076, of Margate, England. He was also a member of the Masonic Veterans of New York City, was Treasurer of the Association for two years, and at the time of his death was its Vice-President.





He became a member of the A. A. O., Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, in Mecca Temple, N. Y., on June 6, 1876, and in 1879 its Treasurer, holding this office up to the time of his death. On June 6, 1880, he was elected an Active Member of the Imperial Council, and in 1883 became its Treasurer also, holding the position continuously to the time of his death, August 18, 1888.

ILL. BRO. LEVÉY was of a very friendly nature, and courteous in all his dealings. His recreation consisted in literary pursuits for his own benefit; yet he gave much time to those connected with Masonry, as evidenced by his labors in the History of Royal Arch Masonry, and his aid in matters connected with the "History of Freemasonry in New York" is highly spoken of by Ill. Bro. Charles T. McClenachan, the author of the work.

BRO. WILLIAM SHERER, 33°, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and Past Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of New York, was born in Mead County, Kentucky, September 3, 1837. He went to Brooklyn, N. Y., in 1850 and in 1855 entered the employ of the Metropolitan Bank, in which institution he attained much of the business and financial training which has in subsequent years so strongly commended him to the commercial and financial circles of New York City. In 1863 he was appointed to a position in the United States Sub-Treasury, New York, where he was engaged for over a quarter of a century, when he became Manager of the New York Clearing-House, which important and most responsible position he has filled with great satisfaction.

BRO. SHERER was made a Master Mason in Anglo-Saxon Lodge, No. 137, of Brooklyn, N. Y., December 10, 1868; served one term as Senior Deacon; was Senior Warden in 1871; Worshipful Master in 1872; Treasurer in 1873, and Master again in 1874, 1877, 1878 and 1880, serving as such five terms altogether. He was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of the Third Masonic District in 1878, and for eight years he served as a member of the Committee of Appeals of the Grand Lodge. In June, 1889, and 1890, he was elected Deputy Grand Master, and in June, 1891, he was elected Grand Master.

BRO. SHERER also gained eminent distinction in Capitular Masonry. He was advanced from the lowest until the highest round of the ladder was reached, when he was elected Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the State of New York. He was exalted in Constellation Chapter, No. 209, R. A. M., in 1872; passed through the several chairs, and was High Priest in 1872 and 1873. In the Grand Chapter he served as Grand R. A. Captain one year; as Grand Lecturer, two years; as Grand Captain of the Host, four years; as Deputy Grand High Priest, one year; and as Grand High Priest in 1886 and 1887.

He is a member of Brooklyn Council, No. 4, Royal and Select Masters, and was T. Ill. Master three years in succession. He was knighted in Clinton Commandery, No. 14, Knights Templar, and has served as Captain-General.

He received the several Grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, in Lodge, Council, Chapter and Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°, in the Valley of New York, and was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°) and elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, at Boston, Mass., December 1, 1891.

Apart from the Masonic Fraternity BRO. SHERER has gained honors and held many offices of trust. For a number of years he was an active member of the Mercantile Library Association, now the Brooklyn Library, and was one of its directors. He was the Grand Commander of the American Legion of Honor, and President of La Fayette Council, No. 28, National Provident Union. He is a Trustee of the Metropolitan Savings Bank, was a member of Company "G," 23d Regiment, New York State Militia, and was Commissary Sergeant. He was also President of Brooklyn Engine Company, No. 17, and served ten years in the Volunteer Fire Department.

The honors conferred upon BRO. SHERER by the Fraternity and the various organizations with which he has been connected, have been worthily bestowed. He is in the prime of matured manhood, genial and affable, unselfish and generous, and is justly held in high esteem. He is the embodiment of the good and true friend, a modest and unassuming gentleman; is a good ritualist and parliamentarian, and one of the most enthusiastic, devoted and ardent members of the Craft.

It is to men like BRO. SHERER that Freemasonry owes its success and influence, and holds its place among the leading humanizing, civilizing and fraternizing forces of the world.

"We've scanned the actions of his daily life,
And nothing meets our gaze but deeds of honor."

BRO. AZARIAH THEODORE CRANE PIERSON, 33°, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, was born near Morristown, New Jersey, August 29, 1817, and died at his home in St. Paul, Minn., November 26, 1889.

In 1819 he accompanied his parents to Cincinnati, O., and returned with them to New Jersey in 1822. The following year he went to New York City, where he spent his youthful days, graduating in 1837 from the old Medical College, on Barclay street.

It was while in New York he first met the young lady who afterwards became his wife, Miss Eleanor C. Berrien, daughter of Hon. James Berrien, of Hellgate, Long Island. He was in early life a devoted Christian, very earnest and zealous in Sunday-school and church work. He played the flute in the choir of the Presby-





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terian Church where Miss Berrien led a part in the singing; their acquaintance soon ripened into love, and on the nineteenth of October, 1835, they were united in marriage. For over fifty-four years they lovingly journeyed along the pathway of life together, Mrs. Pierson being in the highest and noblest sense a helpmeet to him in joy and sorrow, in adversity as well as prosperity. She did all that a woman could do to assist him in his duties in the early days, in his efforts to organize and establish Masonic bodies in Minnesota, and is known to persons yet living as having held up his hands and encouraged her husband in his work, when there was then no hope of fee or expectation of reward. She was not forgotten, however, and on their golden wedding anniversary in 1885 kind friends and brethren remembered the worthy couple in a substantial way.

In the spring of 1851, BRO.: PIERSON removed to Minnesota in the employ of the Indian Department, and one year later took up his residence with his family in St. Paul. For a time he was with the Winnebago Indians, later with the Chippeways, and afterward with the Sioux up to the time of the Sioux massacre, in 1862. For over ten years prior to July, 1885, he was chief draughtsman in the surveyor general's office at St. Paul.

BRO.: PIERSON was made a Mason in Painted Post Lodge, No. 117, at Corning, Steuben County, New York, in March, 1851. The first Masonic Lodge organized in the then Territory of Minnesota was St. Paul Lodge, at St. Paul, in 1849. This Lodge BRO.: PIERSON joined on his arrival in 1851. In January, 1854, he withdrew therefrom and became one of the charter members of Ancient Landmark Lodge, No. 5, of St. Paul, and was its first Junior Warden.

In February, 1853, he was secretary of the convention which organized the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and introduced the resolution looking to that result. He became the Grand Marshal the first year, Junior Grand Warden the second year, Deputy Grand Master the third year, and in 1856 he was elected M.: W.: Grand Master, which position he filled with eminence and great ability until 1864, when he declined a reelection. He was then elected Grand Secretary and Lecturer, serving one year.

In January, 1876, he was again elected Grand Secretary, and filled the position with marked ability continuously until his death. For twenty years he served the Grand Lodge as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, writing the reports, in which he reviewed the proceedings of fifty or more Grand Lodges every year.

While on a visit to the East in the spring of 1852, BRO.: PIERSON applied for and received the several degrees of Capitular Masonry, in March of that year, in Elmira Chapter, No. 42, at Elmira, N. Y. In August, 1853, he organized and was the first High Priest of Minnesota Chapter, No. 1, R.: A.: M.:, at St. Paul, serving six years. He helped to organize the

Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons of Minnesota, and in December, 1859, was elected its first M.: E.: Grand High Priest; was Grand Secretary from 1860 to 1865, and again from 1875 to the time of his death; was for twenty-three years the Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, and had the honor to anoint the hundred or more anointed High Priests now living in that State.

He attended a number of the triennial convocations of the General Grand Chapter of the United States, and in 1868 was elected General Grand King of that Body.

From his report as Grand Secretary of the Grand Chapter in 1884, it appears that at the time he last accepted the office of Grand Secretary (having previously served for one year) the Grand Chapter had not a dollar on hand and was in debt; there was not a written record of its proceedings from the organization; no register as required by the Constitution, and the returns for several years were missing. At the date of his report, he says, "You have to-day written records for the past ten years, a register complete from the organization, missing returns have been duplicated, and you have upward of \$4,000 in the treasury, forty-two working chapters on the roll, and over 2,800 affiliated Royal Arch Masons." Results which certainly must have entailed an immense amount of labor and the expenditure of much time to accomplish.

BRO.: PIERSON received the orders of Christian Knighthood in New York City in the year 1854; organized the first Commandery of Knights Templar in Minnesota, Damascus, No. 1, at St. Paul, and was its first Commander for nine years; and on the 23d of October, 1865, represented it in the convention which organized the Grand Commandery of Minnesota. He was Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment of K.: T.: of the United States from 1862 to 1868, and Grand Recorder and Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Commandery from March, 1876, to the time of his death.

BRO.: PIERSON had also received the Council degrees of Royal and Select Master and the numerous degrees of the Rite of Memphis and other similar rites, and was a member and first secretary of Osman Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, organized at St. Paul in 1885.

He received the several degrees of the A.: A.: S.: R.:, to the 32° inclusive, at Charleston, S. C., in 1858. In March, 1859, he was created an Honorary Inspector General (33°) and elected an Active Member of the Supreme Council for the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, and in the autumn of the same year was coronetted and the degree conferred upon him, at Chicago, Illinois.

From 1860 to 1866 he was the Grand Captain of the Guard of the Supreme Council, and on the 21st of April, 1866, was elected Grand Prior, which he filled until he resigned it and his membership on the 5th of May, 1870.





In May, 1889, he was honored by the receipt from the Supreme Council of his patent as an Emeritus Member of that body.

BRO. PIERSON left to survive him a widow aged over seventy years, three daughters, several grandchildren and eleven great-grandchildren. The youngest daughter is unmarried and resides with her widowed mother.

No eloquent tributes, no long and grateful remembrance, no monument or marble statue can adequately acknowledge his services to the Freemasonry of Minnesota, of which State he has been the foremost Mason for so many years. In the long list of able and distinguished Masons who of late years have passed from among the walks of men the name of ILL. BRO. PIERSON will occupy a prominent place. His name will be a household word among the Masons of that State for many years to come, as he had come to be regarded as an oracle on things Masonic and his presence will be greatly missed from their annual convocations.

BRO. JESSE BARKER ANTHONY, 33°, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, was born in the city of Troy, New York, December 16, 1837. His ancestors were of English birth, and upon coming to this country settled in Rhode Island, from which State his grandfather, Jesse Anthony, removed with his family to Easton, Washington County, New York, and subsequently to the city of Troy, where, with his sons, he established a general wholesale and retail mercantile business. Later he engaged in the foundry line and the manufacture of stoves, being among the earliest in Troy to carry on that branch of industry. His father, John Anthony, born in 1816, after the settlement in Troy, married Mary Ann Gibeney, of that city. He was associated with his father in the mercantile and foundry business, and, upon retiring from those pursuits, was for several years engaged in real estate transactions, was prominently identified with the business interests and prosperity of the city, and for many years was a member of the City Council.

After receiving a fair common-school education, the subject of our sketch, at the age of sixteen, entered a wholesale grocery house as a clerk, where he continued during the remainder of his minority. In 1859 he married Catharine A., daughter of John M. Bogardus, of Troy, and in the same year formed a co-partnership with Charles E. Dusenberry, and under the firm name of Dusenberry & Anthony became the successors of John A. Bogardus & Co., in the wholesale coffee and spice trade. The firm dissolved in 1876, and was continued as J. B. Anthony & Co., and J. B. Anthony alone, until the discontinuance of the business.

BRO. ANTHONY's close application to business, his perseverance and resolution to succeed in whatever he undertakes, and his integrity in all relations, have won for him an exalted place among the enterprising business

men of Troy. He has ever been a public-spirited citizen, and, though never active in politics or connected with any city office, he has promptly responded to all that pertains to the welfare of the city. Liberal with his means, loyal to his convictions, he maintains a most worthy and enviable reputation at home and wherever known.

He was one of the organizers of the Troy Steam Heating Company, and continued as President of the Company until 1880, retiring therefrom upon the organization of a new Stock Company. He was also for many years one of the Directors of the Union National Bank of Troy.

It is, however, in the field of Masonry, to which he has devoted much time and labor, that BRO. ANTHONY has attained the greater prominence. Earnest, thorough and active in his labor, he has done much to advance the interests of the Institution, and has won for himself a reputation of which he may well feel proud. He has never sought prominence, but the honors which have been conferred upon him came unsolicited, and, in whatever station, when called for any duty, he has always responded willingly and with signal ability.

BRO. ANTHONY was made a Master Mason in King Solomon's Primitive Lodge, No. 91, Troy, N. Y., February 23, 1860; a Royal Arch Mason, in Apollo Chapter, No. 48, Troy, N. Y., in December, 1860; a Royal and Select Master in Bloss Council, No. 14, Troy, March 15, 1861; and was created a Knight Templar in Apollo Commandery, No. 15, of Troy, September 2, 1863.

He received the several Grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, to the 14th inclusive, in 1862, and subsequently, about 1871, he attained the remaining degrees, and the 32d, in Albany Sovereign Consistory at Albany, N. Y.

At the institution of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies in the city of Troy, N. Y., he became one of the charter members of Delta Lodge of Perfection, Delta Council of Princes of Jerusalem and Delta Chapter of Rose-Croix, and was for many years the presiding officer of those bodies.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°) and elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, at Boston, Mass., August 19, 1874.

The official Masonic career of ILL. BRO. ANTHONY has been one of extreme regard for the consistent application of correct principles in the development of the plans of the architect, and his labors as a Master, in whatever department he was placed, have always been directed toward the attainment of that object. After filling the offices of Senior Deacon and Senior Warden in his Symbolic Lodge, he was, in 1867, chosen Worshipful Master, and held that office for three consecutive years.

In 1873 he was appointed D. D. G. M. of the





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12th Masonic District, which office he held for two years. While holding this office he was selected to represent the district in the Constitutional Convention assembled at Syracuse, N. Y., for the purpose of revising the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, and was one of the active workers in that important convention.

At the annual session of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, in June, 1875, he was unanimously elected Senior Grand Warden; in 1879 he became Deputy Grand Master; and, in 1880, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge. As the head of the Craft of the Empire State his administration of affairs was attended with marked ability and success, and he retired from the Grand East enjoying the utmost esteem of all the representatives. During his term as Grand Master, it was his privilege, among other public ceremonials of a similar nature, to lay the foundation stone of the Egyptian Obelisk, in Central Park, New York City, October 9, 1880, delivering the address upon that occasion, and which received the marked approval of all the best Masonic scholars in the United States. He also delivered the Historical Address upon the occasion of the Centennial Anniversary exercises of the Grand Lodge, held at the Academy of Music, New York City, in June, 1881, the facts embodied therein having since been widely copied by the various Grand Bodies throughout the United States.

After serving as Captain of the Host one term and P. S. two terms, he was elected, in 1892, High Priest of his Chapter, filling the position for five consecutive years; and on retiring (at his own request) he became the recipient of a costly P. H. P.'s Jewel as a token of respect and esteem. In the Grand Chapter of the State of New York, R. A. M., he was appointed Grand Lecturer, holding the office for two years.

In his Commandery, he served as Prelate for four consecutive years and afterwards as Eminent Commander for two years, retiring from office in 1876.

After filling various subordinate positions in his Council, R. and S. M., he became Thrice Ill. Master of the Council and served one year.

In the Scottish Rite Bodies, ILL. BRO. ANTHONY has also been an active worker, and has attained the highest official distinction; presiding over Lodge, Council and Chapter.

ILL. BRO. ANTHONY is also a "Noble," and was for many years the Potentate of Oriental Temple, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Troy, N. Y. He is also a member of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the Royal Order of Scotland in the United States, having received the degree, at Washington, D. C., in May, 1878.

He is, and has been, since its organization in 1871, the Secretary of the Troy Masonic Hall Association, of Troy, N. Y., is Chairman of the Committees on Foreign Correspondence of both the Grand Lodge and the Grand Commandery of the State of New

York, and is the present superintendent of the "Masonic Home" located at Utica, N. Y.

In the field of Masonic literature, ILL. BRO. ANTHONY has also been an active worker, and by his pen he has contributed much that is valuable to the Craft, in the way of local histories of the various Masonic bodies.

ILL. BRO. ANTHONY is thorough in all he undertakes, and in plain, earnest language impresses his subject with a manner that commands at once the attention of the hearer or reader. His brethren of the Mystic tie cherish him as one who has faithfully served them, and, judging from the esteem and veneration shown him, his future promises increasing honor and usefulness with increasing years.

BRO. HENRY M. PHILLIPS, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, was born in the city of Philadelphia, in 1811, was admitted to the bar in 1832, when he rapidly achieved distinction, both as a criminal and civil practitioner. For more than half a century he was prominent as a lawyer, legislator, citizen and Freemason. He was a member of Congress from 1857 to 1859, while he was Deputy Grand Master, and R. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. He was President of the Board of City Trusts from 1878 to 1881; member of the Public Building Commission until 1871; President of the Board of Directors of the Academy of Music; one of the Board of Managers of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and President of the Park Commission.

BRO. PHILLIPS was made a Mason in Philadelphia Lodge, No. 72, of Philadelphia, on September 16, 1847, when thirty-six years of age, and received the degree of Master Mason in the following November. In evidence of his ability, and the regard in which he was held by his fellow-members, he was elected the very next month, December, 1847, Junior Warden of the Lodge, in 1848 Senior Warden, and in 1849 Right Worshipful Master.

BRO. PHILLIPS' advancement in the Grand Lodge was equally rapid. In 1853 he was elected Junior Grand Warden, and re-elected in 1854; in 1855, Senior Grand Warden, and re-elected in 1856; and in 1857, Deputy Grand Master. During his first term as Deputy Grand Master, four months after his election, R. W. Grand Master Bro. John K. Mitchell, M. D., died in office, and BRO. PHILLIPS became acting Grand Master for the remainder of that Masonic year. In December, 1858, he was elected R. W. Grand Master, and re-elected in 1859. He was active and able in the performance of his duties as Grand Master, and during his last year made Grand Visitations to thirty lodges in the jurisdiction.

BRO. PHILLIPS died in his native city, August 28, 1884, in the seventy-third year of his age, and on the following Monday his remains were laid to rest in Mount Sinai Cemetery with the usual Masonic ceremonies.



BRO. JAMES TEN EYCK, 33°, the beloved Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, is a scion of an old Dutch family of that name who migrated from Amsterdam, Holland, to New Amsterdam (now New York) in 1650. His grandfather, Abraham R. Ten Eyck, removed to Albany about the year 1800, and founded the family which has been conspicuously represented in high official stations and in the leading business interests of that city. His venerable and venerated father, Visscher Ten Eyck, served the public with great acceptability upon two of the most important boards of the municipal government for a long term of years.

BRO. TEN EYCK was born on Columbia Street in the city of Albany, N. Y., but a few doors from where he now resides, on February 16, 1840. He received his early education in the Albany Academy and Burlington College, New Jersey, from which institution he passed, at the age of sixteen, to the Junior Class of Yale College. His ambitions, however, in the field of scholastic attainments were doomed to disappointment. Though of a robust constitution, his remarkable progress in the schools had been too dearly purchased; his health had become undermined, and he was compelled to leave college, abandon the plans of his youth, and seek restoration to health in extended foreign travel. Following the advice of his physician, he did not return to college, but pursued a broad and comprehensive curriculum of study under private tutorship. Upon the completion of his education, he, greatly to the disappointment of his family, who had intended him for canonical orders, followed the suggestion of his own judgment and entered mercantile pursuits, and soon became a member of the firm of Bacon, Stickney & Co., the leading wholesale house of coffees and spices in his native city, of which he has been for several years, and is now, the head.

In 1864, **BRO. TEN EYCK** married Catharine Elizabeth Van Vechten, the playmate of his childhood, the friend of his youth. Their wedded happiness was rudely broken by her death eight months afterwards, and the first crushing sorrow had come into the life of our Brother; in all the years that have since come and gone, the memory of those eight months has been ever with him, and he has journeyed alone along life's pathway toward that reunion that awaits him at its end.

BRO. TEN EYCK's business career has been exceptionally distinguished by a display of those powers that assure their possessor success in life. Zeal, industry and devotion, united with unswerving integrity, probity of character and keen far-sightedness, have not only won for him their just pecuniary rewards, but have placed him in the front rank of the business men of the city, and his support, influence and counsel are eagerly sought for in public and private enterprise.

Though he has been repeatedly importuned by his fellow-citizens to accept public office, and the highest in the municipality could have been his by the accept-

ance of it, he has steadfastly turned aside from political preferment, though always generously interested in the party of his espousal.

In private life, **BRO. TEN EYCK** is a most genial and companionable man. Life and its experiences and vicissitudes have but seemed to broaden and fitly temper a noble nature. The more intimate one's acquaintance is with him, the greater are the esteem and affection for him. His friendships are warm, generous and abiding—knowing no weariness in service—no shadow of distrust. No call of succor for the distressed, or of relief for the needy, passes unheeded. His is a large-hearted and large-handed, yet unostentatious, charity. Though his deeds of helpful kindness are so wrought that the public know them not, yet the silent benedictions of the poor are his.

BRO. TEN EYCK was initiated and made a Master Mason in Masters Lodge, No. 5, F. and A. M., of Albany, N. Y., on January 29, 1864. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Temple Chapter, No. 5, R. A. M., of that city, February 8, 1866; received the Cryptic degrees in De Witt Clinton Council, No. 22, R. and S. M., April 13, 1866; and was knighted in Temple Commandery, No. 2, K. T., of the same city, June 15, 1866.

He received the several Grades of the A. and A. S. R., from the fourth to the thirty-second, in 1866; and served as T. P. G. M., from 1869 to 1874. He is a life member of the capitular, cryptic and chivalric bodies, and of all the bodies of the A. and A. S. R.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General (33°) at a session of the Supreme Council, N. M. J., held in the city of Boston, on the 19th of September, 1877.

BRO. TEN EYCK's Masonic career has been one of almost unremitting service to the brotherhood. Elected Warden and then Master of his Lodge for five years, he passed to a broader field of usefulness as D. D. G. M. of his Masonic District, and was in due time called by the suffrages of his brethren to the station of Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of the State; and as its Senior Grand Warden, during the years 1885-6-7 and 8, he participated in the labors of the Craft for the payment of a most burdensome debt that had for long years barred the way to the establishment of a "Masonic Home." Upon this work he entered with unflagging zeal and energy, giving a large part of his time to visiting lodges and presenting the claims to the Craft, infusing courage and self-denial, and winning his opponents to his view by the force of his reasoning and the sincerity and unselfishness of his example. In June, 1892, he was elected Grand Master of Masons of the State of New York; and on the 5th of October following he dedicated, to its beneficent purposes, the "Masonic Home" at Utica, in the presence of one of the largest assemblages of the Craft in the history of the State, who had gathered to participate in the ceremonies of





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the dedication and to look upon the full fruition of their labors.

BRO.: TEN EVCK has high ideals of Masonic usefulness and of the exalted mission of the Fraternity. No better illustration of this can be given than to quote from his address to the brethren at the dedication above referred to:

"Let me remind you, brethren, that the charity of our grand organization never ceases—that its good work is never done. To-day we dedicate to its pure and unselfish purpose this building, the dream of years; to-morrow we must, in a certain sense, forget what we have done, and look to see and determine what next demands our aid and assistance, and then bring all our energies to bear in the furtherance of the new project. We have no years to waste in complacently reflecting upon how much good we have accomplished; rather in the other direction should our thoughts lie, and we be planning and devising the next great undertaking. What that undertaking may be I do not know, but I do believe that it will be inaugurated without a great lapse of time, and that it will be broadly philanthropic, be grandly conceived, and gloriously carried out."

BRO.: JAMES HERRING, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, was born in London, England, on January 12, 1794. He was educated under the watchful eye of his father, after whom he was named, and who instilled into him the feeling of interest for the American Republic, then just called into existence, which he himself felt for her institutions. In 1805 the family emigrated to New York, and the subject of our sketch finished his education at an academy in Flatbush, Long Island. He became a portrait painter by profession, and in 1832 published "The National Portrait Gallery of Distinguished Americans," of which the portraits and part of the biographies were by himself.

BRO.: HERRING was made a Master Mason in Solomon's Lodge, of Somerville, New Jersey, in 1816; and, once a member of the Fraternity, he soon made his influence felt. He removed to New York in 1822, and was soon actively engaged as an officer in the several bodies comprising the various branches of the Fraternity.

Affiliating with Clinton Lodge, No. 143, he became Worshipful Master in 1827, and was re-elected for each of the following years, 1828, 1832 and 1834, a period when the Anti-Masonic spirit was most rampant. He afterwards was a member of St. John's Lodge, No. 1, and also of Strict Observance, No. 94.

In the Grand Lodge of New York he was appointed Assistant Grand Secretary, on September 3, 1828, and on June 3, 1829, was elected Grand Secretary, which office he retained until 1849. On June 5th, of this year, the Grand Lodge became divided, in consequence of the attempt made by the Lodges from the rural districts to deprive Past Masters of their prerogative as members of the Grand Lodge. BRO.: HERRING

was on that evening elected Secretary of what was subsequently known as the "Phillips" or "Herring" Grand Lodge, and was annually re-elected until 1858. This schism was terminated by the union of the two Grand Lodges in June, 1858, after which time, to the period of his departure for Paris, France (where he died at his daughter's residence, October 8, 1867), he had mainly retired from active Masonic life though on several occasions he gave the benefit of his ripe experience to his brethren in the Grand Lodge.

During the period of his service as Grand Secretary, several events of importance occurred. In 1826 the Anti-Masonic excitement broke out, and brought forth in full force all the mental energy of BRO.: HERRING. He stood firm as a rock, while the hurricane of destruction leveled the greater number of the Lodges in the State; and the Lodges in the city of New York, as well as the Grand Lodge itself, are indebted to him for their salvation during that stormy period. In spite of threats and dangers, he managed to induce the Lodges not to cease their regular meetings. He encouraged the subordinate Lodges, keeping alive the connection with other Grand Lodges, that were more particularly exposed to persecution, while he bravely combated the most ferocious attacks of the press.

The troubles within the Grand Lodge in 1837, which were the cause of the creation of St. John's Grand Lodge, found BRO.: HERRING the Grand Secretary of the former body, and as such he played an important part during the eventful period. It was about this time that he re-organized that extended system of correspondence with foreign Grand Lodges, in particular with those of Scotland, Hamburg, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Saxony, Switzerland, France, etc., and which has since become of so much benefit and importance, its usefulness being almost universally acknowledged. His reports form an important part of the printed transactions of the Grand Lodge, and are read with instruction. In 1838 he, with the approbation of the Grand Master, Bro.: Morgan Lewis, re-established the system of an interchange of Representatives from one Grand Lodge to the other. In appreciation of his merits, the Grand Orients of France and Brazil named him as their Representative near the Grand Lodge of New York. He was also honored with Honorary Membership in numerous Lodges and Grand Lodges. A little later, in 1842, he organized the system of Grand Lodge Registry, which was long in force in New York.

BRO.: HERRING delivered many public addresses. In 1821, at Flemington, New Jersey; on June 24, 1840, an oration on the festival of St. John the Baptist, before Apollo Lodge, No. 13, of Troy; on August 25, 1847, in a Lodge of Sorrow held by St. John's Lodge, No. 1, N. Y., in grateful honor of certain deceased members of that Lodge, it being the first Trauer Logen held by an American Lodge in the English language. Ten years later he officiated on a similar occasion, in memory of the deceased Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Saxony, Bro.: G. T. Winkler.



In Capitular Masonry, COMPANION HERRING was advanced and exalted in Jerusalem Chapter, No. 8, New York. He received the Mark and Past Master degrees July 24, 1816; the Most Excellent Master and Royal Arch, January 5, 1817. He was elected High Priest in December, 1837, and re-elected in 1838. In the Grand Chapter, he represented his Chapter in 1841. In the General Grand Chapter of the United States, he was elected General Grand Secretary in 1842.

He was created a Knight Templar in Columbian Commandery, No. 1, K. T., of New York, and became Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Commandery of that State for three years, from 1829 to 1832; Grand Master in 1834; and Grand Prelate from 1836 to 1839. He was General Grand Recorder of the General Grand Encampment of the United States from 1829 to 1835, and General Grand Generalissimo from 1835 to 1841. The latter year that exalted body met in New York City, and at the celebration which then took place, he officiated as Grand Orator of the Grand Lodge.

BRO. HERRING died in France, and his remains were forwarded home, October 10, 1867. The religious funeral ceremonies took place Sunday, October 27th, following, at St. Stephen's Church, New York City, in the presence of an immense congregation. The Masonic ceremonies were performed at Greenwood Cemetery, by his Lodge, which, accompanied by several New York and Brooklyn Lodges, making unitedly an imposing procession.

"Peaceful he sleeps, with all our rights adorned,
Forever honored and forever mourned."

BRO. ROBERT MACOY, 33°, Past Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge, and Past Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery, of the State of New York, was born in Armagh, County of Ulster, near Belfast, Ireland, on October 4, 1815, of Scottish-Irish parents. He was brought to the United States when only about four months old. His grandfather, Bro. Robin Smythe, was a magistrate of the city of Armagh, and for many years was an active member of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Ireland.

BRO. MACOY'S earliest business life was spent in the busiest part of New York, then considered "up town," but now far "down town." His early training was of great assistance in preparing him for his successful career as an author and publisher. He became thoroughly familiar with every detail of making a book, from quality of paper, style and character of type necessary to make it plain and readable, the proper binding to make it harmoniously artistic, to the subject matter printed on its pages, and it was ever his aim to produce as good work as it were possible to execute.

He was for many years engaged in disseminating Masonic literature as author and publisher. His first work was "The Master Workman," published in 1849. This was followed in 1852 by "The Masonic Manual,"

a compilation of lectures and explanations of the first three degrees. In 1855 he published a large quarto volume, illustrated, entitled "The Book of the Lodge," which was intended for the use of Masters of Lodges, in explaining the symbols of the various degrees. Among other works he also published "Vocal Manual," in 1853; "Rock of Masonry," in 1855; "Masonic Minstrel," in 1857; "Cyclopædia of Freemasonry," in 1867; "Worshipful Master's Assistant," in 1885; and "Rite of Adoption," in 1868 and 1890. These works have found favor in all lands where Masonry is known, and will remain as a monument to his untiring energy and devotion to the Institution.

BRO. MACOY was initiated in Lebanon Lodge, No. 13 (now 191), January 20, 1848, and was raised February 13, of the same year. He was elected Master of the Lodge in December, 1849. Subsequently he dimitted from Lebanon Lodge and united with Americus, No. 535, of which he was a member at the time of his death.

In 1850 BRO. MACOY was elected Grand Secretary of the St. John's Grand Lodge, to which Lebanon Lodge at that time gave allegiance. The differences that had existed between the Grand Lodge of New York and the St. John's Grand Lodge, from 1837, had been the source of much bitter feeling among the members of the Fraternity in New York, and it was the earnest desire of both parties to arrive at some basis of settlement. Accordingly, at the annual communications of both Grand Lodges, in 1855, committees were appointed to confer and suggest to their respective Grand Lodges some plan for union. BRO. MACOY was a member of the committee from the St. John's Grand Lodge, and had much to do with formulating that basis of settlement which subsequently resulted in the union of these two bodies. By the terms of the settlement BRO. MACOY was recognized as a Past Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York. He continued active in the affairs of the Grand Lodge, and in 1856 was elected Deputy Grand Master, which office he held for two years.

BRO. MACOY was exalted in Orient Chapter, No. 1 (now 138), R. A. M., in 1848, and was created a Knight Templar in Orient Encampment, No. 1 (now Palestine Commandery, No. 18), in February, 1851. In March, 1851, he dimitted from Palestine Commandery for the purpose of reviving, with other Sir Knights, Morton Commandery, No. 4, the warrant of which had lain dormant for many years. He was elected Eminent Commander of Morton Commandery in 1851. On June 6, 1851, he was elected Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of the State, to which position he was annually re-elected, and held that responsible trust at the time of his death.

It was as Grand Recorder, perhaps, as much as through anything else, that the name of BRO. ROBERT MACOY has become a household word, wherever Knight Templars are known. His annual contribu-





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P. Gr. Recorder of the Gr. Commandery Knights Templar
State of New York.



tions to Templar literature, found in his reports, have been most highly prized. The Grand Commandery found in him a man whose devotion to the principles of the Order were undoubted, and it was the delight of that Grand Body to show its high esteem, and to honor BRO. MACOY in every possible manner. His services as Grand Recorder covered a period of over forty years, were rendered with marked fidelity and unabated interest throughout, and few enjoyed more the confidence of his brethren than did BRO. MACOY.

He received the various grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 4° to 33° inclusive, by communication, at a regular session of the Supreme Council, then known as "The Supreme Council of the United States of America, their Territories and Dependencies," on March 30, 1851. He afterwards affiliated with Cosmopolitan Consistory, and the New York bodies of which its membership was composed, and served as Secretary of the Consistory for several years.

The Order of the Eastern Star is indebted for its present existence to the labors of BRO. MACOY. In 1868, Bro. Robert Morris, the founder of the Order, surrendered all right and title as Supreme Patron to BRO. MACOY, who remodeled the entire organization in such a manner that it at once became popular and has continued from that time to flourish.

When the first Chapter of the Order was established in 1867, succeeding former organizations of Bro. Morris, BRO. MACOY took an active interest in its welfare, and it was to them, in October, 1868, that he gave the first draft of the ritual which has since been adopted as the ritual of the Order everywhere. In 1870, when the Grand Chapter of the State of New York was formed, BRO. MACOY became Grand Secretary. He was afterwards Grand Patron, and to his directing hand may be attributed in a great measure the success of this Order in our country.

ILL. BRO. MACOY was a methodical man, a patient thinker and careful writer. He measured the weight of words, and chose only such as were most comprehensive and explicit. He was a true friend, a man of strong character and great energy, and exemplified in a marked degree the true principles of Freemasonry.

On January 9, 1895, having survived nearly four-score years, and while as active and energetic as usual in his busy life, ILL. BRO. MACOY unexpectedly fell asleep in that slumber which knows no awakening on this side of the grave. His remains were deposited in Greenwood Cemetery with the usual Masonic ceremonies, by his Lodge, Grand Lodge, Grand Commandery, and the Scottish Rite Bodies of which he had been so long an honored and highly revered member.

BRO. JAMES ELVIS CADLE, M.D., Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, was born in Jackson County, Missouri, March 20, 1830. In early youth the family removed to and settled in Gentry

County in the same State, which became his field of operations until 1863, when he located in Livingston County. In young manhood he married Miss L. P. Thornton, of Gentry County, who still survives him. Their union, though running through more than forty years, was never blessed with offspring. In 1850, DR. CADLE began merchandising at a town known as Fairview then, since called Denver. During his business and residence there he read medicine under a preceptor, and subsequently entered upon the practice of that profession. While a citizen of Livingston County, he was elected a representative in the Legislature, and made a creditable record as such. He also served his county for a term of years in one of the clerk's offices, and at one time was a prominent candidate for the office of Secretary of State.

In 1883 he removed to St. Louis, where, subsequently, he was chosen Secretary of the Masonic Mutual Benefit Association of Missouri. After a time he retired from this position and resumed the practice of medicine at King City in 1886, where he was stricken with paralysis, from which attack he never recovered; the end of his life culminating on the 8th day of June, 1890.

BRO. CADLE was made a Mason in Athens Lodge, No. 127, located at Albany, Gentry County, Mo., September 13, 1851. In 1858, he took a ditmit from this Lodge, but from this period until 1863 the links in the chain of his Masonic history are missing. He was returned as a member of Spring Hill Lodge, No. 155, in 1863. He represented the latter Lodge as its Master, in 1863 and 1864, and dimitted therefrom in 1866. He next affiliated with Friendship Lodge, No. 88, located in Chillicothe, on April 6, 1867, and served as Senior Warden of that Lodge for the years 1867 and 1868; became its Worshipful Master in 1869; was recalled to the same station in 1872, and subsequently served from 1877 to 1879.

During the years 1870 and 1871, he served as Deputy Grand Master of the Tenth Masonic District, and on October 17, 1872, he was chosen Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge. In 1873 he was elected Senior Grand Warden and re-elected in 1874. On the 14th day of October, 1875, he was chosen Grand Master. His administration as Grand Master, like himself, was plain, earnest, honest, practical and conservative. He made no pretensions to literary display, but did his work well and conscientiously.

BRO. CADLE passed through the various grades of the Chapter and Grand Chapter of the R. A. M. from Grand Scribe in 1877 to that of Grand High Priest in 1880, and for long and efficient services rendered, was honored with life membership. He was a Knight Templar also, and in the Commandery to which he belonged he was equally prominent for his activity, zeal and purity of character as a Sir Knight.

BRO. CADLE was also actively engaged in all lines of religious labor and church work, being a fixed believer in the doctrines of religion and Freemasonry.





BRO. WALTER MILLARD FLEMING, 33°, the eminent physician, surgeon and specialist, of New York City, was born in the city of Portland, Maine, June 13, 1838. His father, Dr. Lorenzo Dow Fleming, settled in Rochester, N. Y., where he became a very successful practitioner and resided until his death, June 16, 1867, at the age of sixty-two years. The mother, Mrs. Margaretta Rich Fleming, survived her husband many years, having attained at the time of her death, September 16, 1890, the ripe age of eighty-five years.

The subject of our sketch received his preparatory training in the Canandaigua Academy at Canandaigua, N. Y., and subsequently entered Antioch College, at Yellow Springs, Ohio, whence he was graduated in 1856. He next took up the study of medicine, and later on entered the Albany Medical College, at Albany, N. Y. While there the Civil War broke out and in March, 1861, he enlisted in the 13th N. Y. Regiment, was made an Ensign or Second Lieutenant and served until September, 1861, when by reason of injuries received he was discharged and mustered out of the service. He resumed his studies at the Albany Medical College and was graduated in January, 1862. He next entered upon the practice of his profession, with his father in Rochester, meeting with marked success. He was honored in time with the position of City Physician or Health Officer of that city, and by the eminent skill and rare good judgment displayed in the discharge of its duties, won for himself the generous esteem and commendation of its people, holding the position for a period of four years. He was also appointed as Surgeon, with the rank of Colonel, of the Seventh Division N. Y. S. N. G., by Major General John Williams, commanding the Division, and filled the position for seven years. Having removed to the City of New York in the fall of 1868, he was transferred on October 10, 1871, to the Third Brigade N. Y. S. N. G., Brig.-General J. M. Varian commanding, with the rank of Major, was brevetted Colonel January 22, 1872, and held the latter position over ten years, or until the death of General Varian.

Since locating in the City of New York, BRO. FLEMING has assiduously devoted himself to the practice of his profession, and has acquired pre-eminent distinction as a specialist and expert in lunacy cases. He has held the position of Consulting Physician and Surgeon to St. Elizabeth's Hospital, of New York, for over eight years, and in 1872 was commissioned and qualified by the Superior Court of that city as an expert in insanity, which position he still holds, together with that of Examiner in Lunacy. He is a member of the New York County Medical Society, of the Medico Legal Society, of the Physicians' Mutual Aid, and several other medical organizations. He is also the author of several medical works, among which are the following subjects: "Insanity and Nervous Diseases," "Female Diseases," "Catarrh," "Gang-

lionic Phenomenæ" and "Chemical and Physiological Consideration of Microbe Life."

BRO. FLEMING has been twice married. First, in September, 1861, to Miss Dolly M. Spencer, daughter of Lester Spencer, of Canandaigua, Ontario County, N. Y., and cousin of Chas. S. Spencer, the celebrated criminal lawyer of New York. From this union are the two sons now living, Dr. Walter S. Fleming, a practicing physician in New York, and for several years Medical Superintendent in Chief of the Flatbush Insane Asylum, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Charles P. Fleming, who is the cashier of a large manufacturing plant in the same city. Nineteen years later (October, 1880), he married Mrs. Ella Evelyn Mortimer, of the City of New York, an estimable lady of well-known literary attainments, a journalist and Press Correspondent of acknowledged ability, both in Europe and America. She is and has been for some time past one of the prominent officials of the "New York Woman's Press Club," which organization numbers among its members most of the noted authoresses and writers of the day.

The Masonic career of BRO. FLEMING dates from the 13th of February, 1869, when he was raised a Master Mason in Rochester Lodge, No. 660, at Rochester, N. Y.; he dimitted, and on December 3, 1872, affiliated with New York Lodge, No. 330.

He received the several grades of the A. A. S. Rite, 14° to 18° inclusive, in the co-ordinate bodies of said Rite, located in the Valley of Brooklyn, in 1870, and the Consistorial grades in Aurora Grata Consistory S. P. R. S. 32°, at Brooklyn, on May 31, 1871.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General (33°), and elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States at New York, on September 19, 1872.

He received the Capitular degrees in Lafayette R. A. Chapter, No. 207, of New York City, on November 30, 1872.

He was created a Knight Templar in Columbian Commandery, No. 1, of New York City, December 2, 1872, and became its Eminent Commander April 15, 1873, holding the position for four years.

He received the Cryptic degrees in Adelpic Council, No. 7, R. and S. M., of New York, on December 28, 1872.

ILL. BRO. FLEMING has filled most acceptably various chairs in the Scottish Rite bodies, and is a Life Member in the New York bodies as well as an Honorary Member of the several bodies constituting Aurora Grata Consistory of Brooklyn, since 1888.

ILL. BRO. FLEMING also bears the merited distinction of being the founder in America of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. In 1870, he with the aid of Bro. William J. Florence, the eminent comedian, who arranged to bring the manuscript and authority from the "Bektash" of Oriental Europe, first introduced this Order in the western hemi-





BROTHER WALTER M. FLEMING, 33°,

FIRST IMPERIAL POTENTATE OF THE IMPERIAL COUNCIL, A. A. O. O., NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



Fraternally
Walter M. Fleming
First Imperial Potentate of the Mystic Shrine for
North America

sphere. Bro.: Florence, while in Marseilles, France, was entertained as a Mason in Bokhara Temple of the Arabic Bektash. He at that time simply witnessed the opening session of the exoteric ceremonials which characterize the politico-religious Order of Bektash of Oriental Europe. A monitorial, historic and explanatory manuscript he also received at this time. This did not, however, embrace the esoteric, inner temple exemplification or obligation, nor the "unwritten law." It was while in Algiers and Aleppo that he was received into the inner temple under the domain of the Crescent, and first became possessor of the esoteric work, the "unwritten law," and the Shayk's obligation. Subsequently he visited Cairo, Egypt, and was also admitted there, collecting more of Oriental history and manuscript of "Memorial Ceremonials."

These disconnected series of sheets in Arabic and French, thus collected by Bro.: Florence, with others obtained through correspondence abroad, were translated by Prof. Albert L. Rawson, the Arabic Translator, and comprised the translations from which the Order started in this country. The work outlined therein was fully amplified and perfected by BRO.: FLEMING, and he has since greatly improved the original through personal observation of the work as performed in the Eastern Temples.

ILL.: Bro.: Florence, as an initiate of the Order imparted the knowledge of the ceremonies to BRO.: FLEMING, who was empowered to introduce and establish the Order in America. It was determined to confer it only on Free and Accepted Masons of the higher degrees, and on the 16th of June, 1871, a number of Knights Templar and thirty-seconds and thirty-thirds of the A.: A.: S.: R.: were assembled at Masonic Hall, No. 114 East 13th Street, New York, when the proposition to engage in the establishment of the new order was enthusiastically accepted, and the following eleven Brethren were duly received: Edward Eddy, Oswald Merle D' Aubigné, James S. Chappell, John A. Moore, Charles T. McClenachan, William S. Paterson, George W. Millar, Albert P. Moriarty, Daniel Sickels, John W. Simons and Sherwood C. Campbell.

The necessary arrangements having been fairly completed in the meantime, a regular session was called at the above hall, on September 26, 1872, when the above Nobles, except Nobles Florence and Campbell, were present, and in due form established a regular Temple, under the name of Mecca Temple, for the exemplification of the ceremonies and reception of neophytes, and the original thirteen Nobles named as its charter members. Letters of advice and instruction from Noble W. J. Florence were read, and the history of the Order, together with the circumstances of its appearance in America, was given by NOBLE FLEMING, after which an election of officers was held. NOBLE FLEMING was elected Potentate, and Noble W. S. Paterson, Recorder. The next session was held at the same place, on January 12,

1874. The only business transacted, however, at this session was the appointment of a committee to revise and perfect the ritual to facilitate the exemplification of the Order, and to prepare By-laws, etc., for the government of the Temples.

On January 4, 1875, a charter was issued from Mecca Temple to form a Temple in Rochester, N. Y., which was duly organized under the name of Damascus. The work of Damascus Temple gave some impetus to the Order, and during 1875, NOBLE FLEMING selected a number of prominent Masons and invested them with the rights and prerogatives of Past Potentates for the purpose of establishing subordinate Temples, and were accredited as members of Mecca until they joined another Temple.

At the session of 1876, only nine of the original thirteen survived. It was now proposed to add a number of active Masons to the Temple for the advancement of the Order, and afterward to institute a general governing body for the jurisdiction. As a result twenty-five neophytes were received and duly obligated.

Immediately after the close of this session, NOBLE FLEMING called the Nobles to order and informed them that the principal object was to form and organize a Parent Body, or Imperial Council of the Order for the United States of America. On motion an organization was effected under the style of "The Imperial Council of the Ancient Arabic Order of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine," and officers were elected to serve for three years. ILL.: BRO.: FLEMING was elected Imperial Potentate, and Ill.: Bro.: Paterson, Imperial Recorder.

The first act of the Imperial Body was to grant a charter to Mecca Temple of New York, N. Y., bearing date of September 26, 1872, it being the first regularly organized Temple of the Order in the United States.

The Imperial Council was at this time constituted of Active Members for Life, who were Potentates, or Past Potentates, and were not to exceed thirty-three. The new members as they were elected, if not Potentates, were first raised to the dignity of Past Potentates, and proclaimed Active Members. The next annual session was held at Albany, on February 6, 1877, which was attended by a large number of the Nobles. Mecca and Damascus Temples had been duly established, and dispensations had been granted to form Al Koran, of Cleveland; Syrian, of Cincinnati; Mount Sinai, of Montpelier, and Naja and Cyprus Temples of Albany. These had done good work and made a large number of members. The Active membership of the Imperial Body was filled up to the number of thirty, the statutes were perfected and adopted, and provision was made that every Noble should receive a Diploma from the Imperial Body. The jewels and costumes of the various officers, Imperial and subordinate, were carefully defined, and every Temple was required to select an Ancient Arabic or Egyptian name, by which it should be known.



At the close of 1879, the Imperial Recorder reported that there were 30 Active Members of the Imperial Body, 13 Deputies and 13 Temples, having a total membership of 438 Nobles, being an increase of 13 over the number reported for 1878.

At the Annual Session of the Imperial Council, June 7, 1882, the Constitution of the Body was changed to a representation of the Temple which later was modified to one delegate from each Temple, and one for every 300 members, but not to exceed four delegates from each Temple. The Proceedings of this year were the first printed, and are enriched with correspondence from the East, through Noble A. L. Rawson, who had visited the interior of Mecca and had a large acquaintance with prominent members of the Order abroad. The Proceedings contained much of the early history of the Order in America.

From January, 1880, to January, 1894, the history of Mecca Temple, the Parent Temple, has been one of unexampled prosperity and numerical growth. From a membership of 1404 in 1889, it has already reached the aggregate number of 2204. Since 1880 the Temple has met nearly every month, and large numbers of candidates were received at every Session, the ceremonies being given in full form, with music and all the accessories required by the magnificent Ritual, the attendance of the Nobles often exceeding 500. Every Session terminated with the traditional banquet, which was always superb. Large amounts were at various times donated to the sick and distressed, as well as in aid of many worthy causes.

ILL.^y BRO.^y FLEMING presided over Mecca Temple for a period of seventeen years, and as the Imperial Potentate of the Imperial Council for the period of twelve years, during which time he organized all the Temples instituted between 1870 and 1884-5. He compiled and arranged the entire Shrine Ritual, with all its tableaux and effects as worked, also the Ritual of Installation, Funeral and Dedication Services. He is also the author of "The History of the Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine," and with the aid and counsel of his able associate, Bro.^y Charles T. McClenachan, 33^o, the Author, Ritualist and Parliamentarian, perfected the Statutes and Laws of the Imperial Council, Charters, Dispensations, Diplomas, etc. BRO.^y FLEMING has also written at various times essays on "Mahomedanism," "Theosophy," and the "Occult Sciences."

ILL.^y BRO.^y FLEMING is democratic by nature as well as he is so politically, is of a most social disposition and temperament, and a man fully at home among kindred spirits. He is, moreover, a lover of true sport, an expert shot and successful fisherman, and prides himself somewhat on his skill as a manipulator of small sailing crafts. He has traveled extensively through Europe as well as America, and in all his travels was received with all the honors which his distinction as a Brother and a Noble give him.

BRO.^y JOSEPH PAYSON ABEL, 33^o, Assistant Grand Secretary-General, A.^y A.^y S.^y R.^y, for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., December 3, 1852. He received his education in the rudimentary branches at public school and subsequently went under the training of a private tutor. Entering the mercantile establishment of his father, of the firm of Abel & Carpenter, wholesale dealers in Window Shades and Upholstery Goods, he spent the next eight years in attaining a thorough business training. He then entered the service of the Western Union Telegraph Company as an accountant, in whose employ he was engaged for the next eight years, when he resigned to accept a more lucrative position as an accountant for Messrs. H. O. Pearce & Son, hat manufacturers, and with whom he continued until the firm went out of business. In 1888, he became associated as partner with Mr. John Donahue, of Brooklyn, in the Merchant Tailoring business, in which business he continued until called to the office of Assistant Grand Secretary-General, H.^y E.^y

BRO.^y ABEL commenced his Masonic career in Stella Lodge, No. 485, of Brooklyn, N. Y., March 9, 1876, and since then he has risen to the highest point attainable in Ancient Freemasonry, a position reached by comparatively few in so brief a period of time. From the very beginning he evinced an eager desire for knowledge, and throughout his entire career his zeal, intelligence and enthusiasm in the work, have been distinguishing features. He served as Senior Deacon in 1877-8; as Junior Warden in 1879-80; as Senior Warden in 1881; and as Worshipful Master in 1882-3.

At the close of his second term as Master of Stella Lodge, he became the recipient of an elegant gold watch and chain, at the hands of R.^y W.^y Bro.^y Edwin Gates, on behalf of the Brethren of that Lodge, in recognition of his eminent services and zeal in the work.

BRO.^y ABEL was made a Royal Arch Mason in Orient Chapter, No. 138, of Brooklyn, N. Y., May 25, 1882, but subsequently affiliated with Constellation Chapter, No. 209, of the same city. He was created a Knight Templar in Clinton Commandery, No. 14, of Brooklyn, July 18, 1882.

He received the Ineffable Grades of the A.^y A.^y S.^y R.^y in Aurora Grata Lodge of Perfection, of Brooklyn, December 23, 1882; the Ancient Traditional Grades in Aurora Grata Council, P.^y of J.^y, of Brooklyn, January 20, 1883; the Philosophical and Doctrinal Grades in Aurora Grata Chapter of Rose-Croix, of Brooklyn, January 27, 1883, and the Modern and Chivalric Grades in New York City Consistory S.^y P.^y R.^y S.^y, 32^o, of New York, February 3, 1883. He is now a Charter Member of Aurora Grata Consistory of Brooklyn.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector-General, 33^o, and elected an Honorary Member of the





BROTHER JOSEPH PAYSON ABEL, 33°.

GRAND MINISTER OF STATE OF AURORA GRATA CONSISTORY, S. P. R. S. 32°, OF BROOKLYN, N. Y.
ASSIST. GR. SEC'Y GEN. OF THE SUPREME COUNCIL 33°, A. A. S. R., NORTHERN MASONIC JURISDICTION
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



Joseph T. Abel.

Assistant Gr. Sec. Gen. of the Supreme Council 55° A. A. S. R.
Northern Masonic Jurisdiction.
of the United States.



Supreme Council for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, at Providence, R. I., September 20, 1887.

The official Masonic career of ILL.^o BRO.^o ABEL has been an almost unbroken link from the beginning to the present time, showing most conclusively the strong and abiding confidence of the Fraternity in his ability as a craftsman and master workman. In the Commandery, as in his Symbolic Lodge, he at once took rank as a capable and efficient officer, serving as Senior Warden in 1883; as Ex.^o Prelate in 1889 and 1890; as Captain General in 1891; and as Eminent Commander in 1893.

In the Aurora Grata Bodies of the A.^o A.^o S.^o R.^o, he has also shared in official distinctions of prominence and with great acceptability to his brethren. In his Lodge of Perfection as Senior Warden in 1883 and as H.^o of T.^o Dep.^o Grand Master in 1884; in the Council, P.^o of J.^o, as Master during 1883, 1884, and 1885; in the Chapter, Rose-Croix, as Orator in 1883; and in the Consistory, S.^o P.^o R.^o S.^o, 32^o, as Grand Chancellor during 1889, 1890, and 1891; and as Grand Minister of State, during 1893, 1894, and 1895; still occupying and discharging the duties of the latter station.

In 1892, ILL.^o BRO.^o ABEL was appointed Assistant Grand Secretary-General of the Supreme Council, 33^o, A.^o A.^o S.^o R.^o, for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, which position he has since occupied, discharging its multifarious duties with great credit to himself and to the illustrious Body which he represents.

ILL.^o BRO.^o ABEL is extremely methodical in all his work, precision being a distinguishing feature at all times. With him the gratification is realized and enjoyed in the thought that the work has been neatly and thoroughly performed, rather than in the fact that it meets the approval of others.

Personally, BRO.^o ABEL combines with a generous, loving temperament, a frankness and a loyalty to his friends which endears him to all who know him. His friendship is not of the "fair weather kind;" but when the clouds of sorrow and adversity obscure one's path, then is the time when he delights to render all the service in his power to one whom he has known and loved as a friend. Few men, in connection with the Rite, are more universally loved and held in a higher esteem by his confreres than JOSEPH PAYSON ABEL.

As a business man, honest and energetic; as a citizen, patriotic and loyal; as a husband and father, devoted to his family; and as a friend, faithful under all circumstances.

BRO.^o ABEL was married in 1880 to Miss Ida M. Peckham, of Norwich, Conn. Of the three children born to them, only two survive.

BRO.^o OLIVER COCK, the first Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, was born in the city of New York, November 22, 1808. In 1812 his parents emigrated to Ohio, where he was raised to manhood.

In 1839, the year following the organization of the territory of Iowa, young Oliver removed to Burlington, where he resided until his death, which occurred April 11, 1861, in the fifty-third year of his age.

To the first Lodge which had been organized in the new territory (Burlington, No. 41, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Missouri), BRO.^o COCK made application for membership on the fourteenth of June following its organization (November 30, 1840), and was initiated on the fifth of July, and raised on the sixth of September following. He served as Secretary of the Lodge until the second annual meeting, held June 6, 1842, when he was elected to succeed Bro.^o H. C. Bennett, as Worshipful Master.

At the session of the Grand Lodge of Missouri, in October, 1843, BRO.^o COCK represented his Lodge, and there it was arranged for the convention to organize a Grand Lodge for Iowa. Early in the year 1844 the delegates from the four lodges of Iowa met in convention and organized the New Grand Lodge. BRO.^o COCK was not personally present at this convention, but was represented by proxy. In the election for Grand Master, BRO.^o COCK was chosen over Bro.^o Humphreys, his competitor, by one vote. BRO.^o COCK not being present the convention took a recess until a messenger could be sent on horseback, in midwinter, for him. In due time he appeared and was installed, (greatly to his surprise) the first Grand Master of the new Grand Body. He gave to his new position all his energies, and sought to lay broad and deep the foundation of the temple, upon which others have since so successfully built. And much of the success of that body is due to the labors of Past Grand Master COCK, who labored not in vain, and whose strength was not spent for naught.

BRO.^o COCK was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in a Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, organized at Burlington, October 5th, 1843, and whose presiding officer he soon became, having been elected October 13th, 1845, and for a long time afterward continued to serve the Chapter, as he did the Lodge, in its principal station.

He was a kind-hearted, genial brother, of good sense and sound judgment, and always most practical in his views and the mode of carrying them out, so that he became pre-eminently a useful man in the Fraternity and in the community in which he lived. He was a devoted Mason and a consistent Christian, beloved and esteemed by all who knew him. But few men so deeply engrossed in the active and diversified duties of life for such a long period as BRO.^o COCK, have been fortunate enough to sustain a reputation so pure and unsullied.

BRO.^o CHARLES WEEKS CUSHMAN, 33^o, Illustrious Commander-in-Chief of Buffalo Consistory, S.^o P.^o R.^o S.^o, and Eminent Commander of Hugh de Payen's Commandery, No. 30, of Buffalo, was born in Cleveland, Ohio, August 31, 1848. He spent the days of his boyhood in his native city, where





he also received his education, until war's alarm resounded throughout the borders of our land. But a mere lad, he entered his country's service as a drummer boy, and served two years and a half, taking part with General Sherman in his famous march to the sea. After the close of the war he located himself in the city of Cleveland, where he soon developed many of those strong business qualities for which he has since become so marked.

On March 18, 1873, he married Miss Georgia L. Doran, of Chicago, Ill., and their union has been blessed with one child, an only son, William D., who is now a student at Yale College.

In 1880 BRO. CUSHMAN removed to Buffalo, became interested in the founding of the Railway Car Association of Buffalo, of which he was made President and General Manager, with general offices at Buffalo, and which position he still holds. He is also the General Manager of the Interstate Car Equipment Company of Chicago, as well as the President of the Standard Iron Works of Buffalo.

BRO. CUSHMAN is an esteemed member of Bidwell Wilkinson Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of Buffalo, and during the administration of General Fairchild as Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic served as a member of that officer's staff.

BRO. CUSHMAN was made a Master Mason in Washington Lodge, No. 240, of Buffalo, N. Y., May 11, 1882; a Royal Arch Mason in Keystone R. A. Chapter, No. 163, of Buffalo, February 10, 1883; a Royal and Select Master in Keystone Council, No. 20, R. and S. M., of Buffalo, and was created a Knight Templar in Hugh de Payen's Commandery, No. 30, of Buffalo, December 10, 1883.

He received the various grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 4° to 16°, inclusive, in the Buffalo bodies, and 17° to 32°, inclusive, in Rochester, N. Y., on March 20, 1884.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General (33°), and elected an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America, at Boston, Mass., in September, 1894.

BRO. CUSHMAN early in his career as a Mason became noted for his zeal and interest in the institution, an interest which has not abated with time. He served with credit as Master of his Lodge in 1890 and 1891; as Junior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of New York in 1891; as District Deputy Grand Master of the 25th Masonic District in 1892 and 1893, and at present (1895) he is serving as Grand Marshal of the Grand Body.

He served as Thrice Potent Grand Master of Palmoni Lodge of Perfection, of Buffalo, during 1889, 1890 and 1891; and upon the organization of Buffalo Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°, in 1892, the Supreme Council by its Dispensation made him its Ill. Commander-in-Chief, which station he still most

acceptably fills. He is also the Grand Treasurer of the Council of Deliberation of that Jurisdiction.

ILL. BRO. CUSHMAN is a charter member and one of the founders of Ismailia Temple, A. A. O. Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Buffalo, and has served continuously as its Illustrious Potentate from the inception of the Temple in 1886.

He has received the Royal Order of Scotland, and also enjoys membership in the Order of the Royal Arcanum.

SIR KNIGHT CUSHMAN, as Eminent Commander of Hugh de Payen's Commandery, No. 30, of Buffalo, is too well known to the Templar-world of the States to require an unstinted laudatory introduction in our sketch. In the many noted pilgrimages made by this Commandery, he has ever been the central figure, attracting and attaching new friends on every side, until to-day few Sir Knights are more popularly known and esteemed than he.

ILL. BRO. CUSHMAN is a good ritualist and an excellent worker. Whatever he undertakes to do, he does well. He is a firm believer in the "advancement unto-perfection" doctrine, and his work is invariably performed with this idea uppermost in his mind. He possesses an amiable temper, a genial disposition and tender heart, which leads him to many acts of benevolence; and these characteristic traits endear him to a large circle of closely attached friends in the private relations of life.

BRO. LAWRENCE NICHOLS GREENLEAF, 33°, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, was born in the city of Boston, Massachusetts, October 4, 1838, and is the son of Gardner and Rebecca Jane (Caldwell) Greenleaf; the eldest of six children, four sons and two daughters. His father was a prominent builder and contractor in Boston for upwards of forty years, during which time he erected some of the most substantial edifices of that city, among others, the Custom House, the Old Masonic Temple and the State street Block. He was also a zealous Freemason, a Sir Knight, and an Honorary Member of the Supreme Council (33°) for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction; was one of the signers of the famous Massachusetts proclamation issued during the Anti-Masonic Crusade; and, according to an authority of the time, "Masonry had then no truer friend."

The subject of our sketch graduated from the English High School in Boston, in 1855, and began his business career in a wholesale house in that city, where he remained until the spring of 1860, when the glowing accounts of the Pike's Peak gold discoveries attracted his attention and he determined to seek his fortune in that distant locality. He joined a party at St. Joseph, Missouri, and was twenty-six days crossing the Plains, arriving in Denver on May 24, 1860, where he soon engaged in mercantile business and has since continued to reside.

BRO. GREENLEAF early displayed a taste for literary pursuits. He became a liberal contributor to the





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ILL. COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF BUFFALO CONSISTORY, S. P. R. S. 32°, OF BUFFALO, N. Y.
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Fraternally Yours
Chas. W. Cushman 33°

Ill. Com. in Chief of Buffalo Consistory S.P.R.A.S. 52°
Buffalo, N. Y.



Press over the *nom de plume* of "Peter Punever," his special forte being poetry. He is the author of many poems which have favorably taken the popular mind, and has upon numerous occasions been called upon to prepare poems for special occasions, and has delivered them greatly to the enhancement of his fame and popularity in that field. In 1868, he made a collection of his writings, and under the title of "King Sham and Other Atrocities in Verse," had it published by Messrs. Hurd & Houghton, of New York City.

On March 30, 1869, he was married to Miss Jennie S. Hammond, of Denver, by whom he has three children—two sons and a daughter, and all now living.

BRO. GREENLEAF was initiated, passed and raised in Columbia Lodge, Boston, Mass., March 19, 1863, under special dispensation. He dimitted and affiliated with Denver Lodge, No. 5, November 21, 1863; was exalted in Denver R. A. Chapter, April 18, 1864, while under dispensation, and became a Charter Member thereof.

He received the Cryptic degrees in Boston (Mass.) Council, R. and S. M., April 30, 1868.

He was created a Knight Templar in De Molay Commandery K. T., of Boston, June 12, 1868, and dimitted March 10, 1870; affiliating with Colorado Commandery No. 1, at Denver, July 17, 1883. He was elected Prelate in 1888 and 1889, and Em. Commander in 1890.

He received the grades of the A. A. S. R., 4° to 14° inclusive, in Boston Grand Lodge of Perfection, at Boston, March 20, 1868; the 15° and 16° in Boston Council Princes of Jerusalem, April 24, 1868; the 17° and 18° in Mount Olivet Sovereign Chapter of Rose-Croix, April 24, 1868; the 19° to 32° inclusive, in Boston Sovereign (now Massachusetts) Consistory, on May 15 and May 29, 1868.

In May, 1878, he was created a Knight Commander of the Court of Honor by the Supreme Council for the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction, at Washington, D. C., and on October 7, 1878, was commissioned as the Deputy of that Body for the state of Colorado.

On October 20, 1880 he was invested with the 33° by the Supreme Council S. M. J., during its session at Washington, D. C., and was elected an Honorary Member of said Body and Honorary Grand Cross of the Court of Honor.

He also received the the degrees of the Royal Order of Scotland in the Provincial Grand Lodge of the United States, at Washington, D. C., on October 18, 1880.

The Masonic history of Bro. Greenleaf is replete with evidences of an earnest zeal in behalf of Freemasonry, and his official career effectively demonstrates his activity in the cause. He was elected Senior Warden of Denver Lodge in 1865, and served as acting W. M. during most of the year, owing to the absence of the Worshipful Master. He was

elected Master of the Lodge in 1866 and again in 1868, and also in the years 1869, 1877 and 1878. In 1866 and also in 1888 he was elected and served as Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge of Colorado; in 1879 as Senior Grand Warden; and in 1880 became the M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Body.

He served as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence in 1870, 1878, 1882, 1885, 1889, 1890, 1891, 1892 and 1893, and on December 10, 1878, was commissioned as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of New Mexico, and on December 13, 1880, as that of the Michigan Grand Lodge, near the Grand Lodge of Colorado.

In the Chapter he was elected Principal Sojourner in 1865 and again in 1872; Ex. King in 1866 and High Priest in 1867 and 1868. He was elected Deputy Grand High Priest in 1884 and in 1885 became the Grand High Priest of the Grand R. A. Chapter.

He was commissioned as the Grand Representative of the Grand Chapter of Canada, October 21, 1884, and served as Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence in 1887 and 1888.

BRO. GREENLEAF was anointed into the Order of the High Priesthood in Massachusetts Grand Council in 1868. In connection with M. E. Companions Albert G. Mackey, Past G. G. H. P. of the United States, H. P. H. Brownwell, P. H. P. of Illinois, and George E. Lounsbury, P. G. H. P. of Ill., he assisted in the organization of the Grand Council Order of High Priesthood of Colorado, on February 7, 1877. Of this body he was vice-president from 1877 to 1881 inclusive; Chaplain in 1884 and 1885; and President in 1886, and is still serving in that capacity.

Upon the establishment of the A. A. S. R. in Colorado, Bro. Greenleaf took the oath of allegiance to the Supreme Council for the Southern Masonic Jurisdiction, and became a Charter Member of Delta Lodge of Perfection, No. 1, at Denver, January 26, 1877. He was elected the first Venerable Master, and served as such until 1888.

BRO. GREENLEAF is also a charter member of Mackey Chapter of Rose-Croix, No. 1, organized and instituted in Denver, on April 11, 1878, of which he also became the first Wise Master and served as such for ten consecutive years.

He was also a charter member of Denver Council of Kadosh, organized in 1889, and of Colorado Consistory organized the same year. Was elected M. of K. (or commander) of the latter body in 1889, 1890 and 1891.

In February, 1877, he received also what are known as the Architect degrees of Masonry, in Pentalpha Lodge, No. 5, of Free and Accepted Architects, at Denver, Colorado. The concluding degree of the series, that of Master Architect, was conferred upon him and the late Bro. Albert G. Mackey at the same time. It is memorable from the fact that it was the last degree taken by our Ill. Bro. Mackey.





He is Vice-President for Colorado of the Masonic Veterans Association of the Pacific Coast, and holds the same office in the National Masonic Veterans Association of the United States.

BRO. GREENLEAF is also a member of the A. A. O. Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Denver, Colorado.

Since April 5, 1883, he has served as Deputy Inspector-General for Colorado, under commission from Inspector-General Bro. Henry M. Teller, 33°, and so as the years roll on and honors increase, he works with unabated zeal for the benefit of the Craft.

BRO. ROBERT CYRUS TITUS, the honorable Chief Judge of the Superior Court of Buffalo, New York, was born in the town of Eden, Erie County, N. Y., on October 24, 1839, and is the youngest child of James B. Titus, a native of Vermont, who settled in that county in 1817. His mother was Esther Yeomans, a daughter of Sterling Yeomans, of Richfield, Otsego County, N. Y., whose parents were natives of Connecticut, and among the early settlers of New York State. The father died the same year BRO. TITUS was born, leaving the mother with a family of eight small children surviving him. The mother continued to live on the farm owned by his father at the time of his death, and by her industry and the frugal economy so characteristic of the early settlers of Western New York, managed to support her large family of dependent children until BRO. TITUS had obtained the age of five years. It was then that sickness prostrated her, and she became an almost helpless invalid. At the age of eleven years—his sisters in the meantime having left home to care for themselves—he was called upon to look after the household affairs. During this period he spent what time could be spared from the care of his invalid mother in attending the district school, until the winter of 1857, when he had acquired the necessary qualifications to teach his first district school. In the following spring he entered Oberlin College, Ohio, with a view of pursuing a thorough classical course; but after a two years' course of study, teaching during the winter months to raise the necessary funds, he abandoned the idea and entered upon the study of the law in the office of Horace Boies, late Governor of Iowa, then of Hamburg, N. Y.

In the Spring of 1863, he assisted in organizing the 98th Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., in Erie County, and became a captain in that organization. This regiment was called out by order of the Governor, in response to a demand from the President of the United States for troops, and was formally mustered into the service on the 10th of August, 1864. Its term of service was brief, however, the regiment having reached the seat of war but a short time prior to its termination.

In less than a year after his return home from the service, BRO. TITUS was admitted to the bar, and in 1865 was appointed Special Deputy County Clerk of Erie County. In this position he continued until the

spring of 1866, when he opened a law office at Hamburg, and commenced the practice of his profession.

BRO. TITUS has been a prominent figure in political life, and has been the recipient of official preferment at the hands of his fellow-citizens. In 1866 he was a candidate for the Assembly, but suffered defeat. In 1871 the Democratic Party placed him in nomination for the office of Surrogate of Erie County; but he was defeated by his opponent, although he ran some eight hundred votes ahead of his ticket. In 1873 he removed to Buffalo and formed a partnership with Joel L. Walker, Esq., which continued until his election, in 1877, to the office of District Attorney. The result of this election showed most conclusively the great popularity of BRO. TITUS and the opinion held by the voters, irrespective of party, as to his eminent fitness for the office. The Democratic ticket had been defeated by about 3,500 votes, with the exception of BRO. TITUS, who was elected over John B. Greene, his Republican opponent, by about 2,200 votes. In 1880 he was re-nominated for the office; but it being the year of a Presidential election, party lines were drawn with greater strictness than usual, and the district being strongly Republican, he met with defeat. He nevertheless ran ahead of his party ticket some 1200 votes. In the fall of 1881, he was unanimously nominated by his party for State Senator, and was elected over his opponent by 5,520 votes. His party ticket was defeated, however, by over 1,800 votes, showing that BRO. TITUS had run ahead of his party over 7,300 votes. In the fall of 1883 he was re-nominated and re-elected; thus serving as the representative of the Thirty-first Senatorial District for two terms. In 1885 he was elected to the office of Judge of the Superior Court of Buffalo, which position he now holds, being the Chief Judge of the Court. Prior to his elevation to the Bench, he had been a member of the law firm of Osgoodby, Titus & Moot, of Buffalo, the partnership dating from 1879.

BRO. TITUS, in 1867, married Miss Arvilla Clark, a daughter of Allen Clark, Esq., of Gowanda, N. Y., and their home life since has been signalized with an extreme degree of felicity and contentment. Two interesting children have been added unto them, and to the care and culture of these they have devoted the best affections of the parental heart.

BRO. TITUS was made a Master Mason in Evans Lodge, No. 261, of Evans, N. Y., October 12, 1865; a Royal Arch Mason in Keystone Chapter, No. 163, of Buffalo, N. Y., May 4, 1870; a Royal and Select Master in Buffalo Council, No. 17, of Buffalo, March 10, 1881; and was created a Knight Templar in Hugh De Payens Commandery, No. 30, of Buffalo, June 26, 1882.

He received the Ineffable Grades in Palmoni Lodge of Perfection, at Buffalo, March 24, 1881; the Ancient Traditional Grades in Palmoni Council, Princes of Jerusalem, at Buffalo, March 29, 1881;





BROTHER ROBERT C. TITUS,

PAST MASTER OF FRATERNAL LODGE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK.

GRAND CHANCELLOR OF BUFFALO CONSISTORY, S. P. R. S. 32°, OF BUFFALO, N. Y



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Robert C. Titus

Gr. Chancellor of Buffalo Consistory S. P. R. S. 1529
Buffalo N. Y.

the Philosophical and Doctrinal Grades in Rochester Chapter of Rose-Croix, and the Modern Historical and Chivalric Grades in Rochester Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°, at Rochester, on April 21, 1881. He is now a charter member of Buffalo Consistory, and holds the position of Grand Chancellor in that body.

He became a charter member of Fraternal Lodge, No. 625, of Hamburg, New York, and served as Master of that Lodge for three years. Though deeply interested in the work of the Craft and thoroughly imbued with the noble attributes of a great human brotherhood, he has never been able to give much of his time to official labors. Had it been otherwise, he would assuredly have attained a most exalted rank among the foremost official workers in our honorable Craft. But as one of the humble workers in the Great Temple, he has not been negligent or careless in his labors; he has built well, and his work shows the evidence of a true and perfect Master.

BRO. TITUS is an excellent specimen of the men who rise from humble spheres in life to positions of prominence and responsibility through their own inherent merits and energy. Thoroughly democratic in his ideas and manners, BRO. TITUS has won the respect of his fellow-men by his candor and strict integrity. In the discharge of official duties he has ever proven himself worthy of all confidence, and has evinced an intelligence and aptitude pre-eminently fitting him for official station.

BRO. HERMAN G. CARTER, Past Grand Librarian of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York, was born in Madison county, New York, January 28, 1832. He was educated in the schools of his native place, and enjoyed the advantages afforded by advanced schools of his time. He early manifested an inclination for literary work, and in time gained considerable fame as a writer. As a lecturer and public speaker, he has attained some reputable distinction. But his special field of work has been that of editorial writing. For a long time he was the Masonic Editor of *Noah's Times*, and subsequently, after severing his connection with that paper, he became the Masonic Editor of the *New York Dispatch*. He has also been a frequent contributor to Masonic and other periodicals, both at home and abroad, during the past twenty years.

He has always taken a very deep interest in State and National affairs, and especially in military matters. He served with distinction in the ranks of the Seventh Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., while in the field during the late Civil War, and is a member of Edwin L. Morgan Post, No. 307, of the Grand Army of the Republic, State of New York.

BRO. CARTER was made a Mason in Continental Lodge, No. 287, of New York City, August 3, 1860; a Royal Arch Mason, in Phoenix Chapter, No. 2, of New York City, April 10, 1865; was created a Knight Templar in Columbian Commandery, No. 1, K. T., of New York City, December 13, 1869; and was made

a Royal and Select Master in Adelpic Council, No. 7, R. and S. M., of the same city, April 22, 1870.

He received the various grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, 14° to 32°, in the bodies concluding the series, receiving the 32° in New York City Consistory, March 29, 1889.

BRO. CARTER's official connection with the Fraternity has been a long and continuous one, and the record he has made is alike creditable to himself and the Craft. During a period of thirty two years he has been an officer in some capacity in his Lodge. For a period of four years he served as Master—in 1866, in 1868 and 1869, and again in 1871. In 1876 he became Secretary of the Lodge, and has filled this office for a period of eighteen years. Affiliating with Triune R. A. Chapter, No. 241, of New York City, he was subsequently chosen its High Priest on December 12, 1874.

In 1882 he was appointed Grand Librarian of the Grand Lodge of New York, by M. W. John E. Flagler, then Grand Master, and served twelve years in that capacity. As Grand Librarian he displayed extraordinary ability for systematic work. His success in the work was simply phenomenal. When he entered the office he found chaos and confusion on all sides. To bring order and system out of this condition of affairs was the task he allotted himself. It was a task, the magnitude of which could only be realized by those who had occasion to refer to the endless mass of bound and unbound collection of material stored in the Library room. That he fully succeeded in his task is attested by the Library of to-day—an institution which, for orderly and systematic arrangement stands unexcelled. During his incumbency nearly 2000 volumes were added; the Museum of Antiquities was put in order, and the library became the favorite resort for the Masons of New York, as well as for members of the Craft from foreign Jurisdictions temporarily sojourning in that city.

During the years 1889, 1890 and 1891, BRO. CARTER was a member of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence of the Grand Lodge, and he has been a member of the Committee on Antiquities of the Grand Lodge since its organization in 1886.

He is a member of the A. A. O. Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, identified with Mecca Temple, New York City, since October 30, 1891, as well as a member also of the Masonic Veterans Association, of New York City.

In 1872, he allied himself with the Order of the Eastern Star, and served for six years as Worthy Patron of Floral Chapter, No. 28. He became successively Grand Lecturer, Associate Grand Patron and Grand Patron of that Order, in 1876.

BRO. CARTER is a warm-hearted, charitable and liberal-minded man; a man of exalted ideas, strict integrity, sound judgment and clear intelligence. Of a cheerful disposition, and possessing an amiable temperament, he is at peace with all the world and with a



kind word for everybody. In his daily life he exemplifies whatever is noble in Freemasonry, sublime in religion, or unanswerable in truth. He believes in an everyday religion—one that loves the duties of our common walk; one that makes an honest man; one that accomplishes an intellectual and moral growth in the subject; one that works in all kinds of weather and improves in all opportunities. His work is ever typical of the man, and his work will be his best monument, a work which neither the mutations nor the ravages of time can efface from the scroll of Masonic fame.

We may emphasize in this connection the poet's words:

"The fame that a man wins himself, is best;
That he may call his own."

BRO. HORACE ADAMS NOBLE, 33° elect, Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New York, was born in Rome, N. Y., October 8, 1841. His parents, John and Harriet A. Noble, were largely what their name implied, of that sterling nobility which has given to the world the spectacle of a land where all are kings and queens. He received his education at the district school, supplemented by the public school, and concluding with a finishing course in the Rome Academy in 1860, when he returned to his labors on the farm. On August 26, 1862, he enlisted in the 50th Regiment New York Volunteer Engineers, serving with the same until April, 1863, when he was detailed on duty at headquarters, Engineer Brigade, Army of the Potomac, where he remained until the close of the war, receiving his discharge June, 1865. Upon his return home from the service, he accepted a position in the Merchants' National Bank, of Syracuse, N. Y., where he remained till March, 1867, when he removed to Buffalo and entered the employ of Frank Williams, at that time heavily engaged in the canal and lake transportation trade as proprietor of the Merchants' Western Line. In 1874 the business was enlarged by the addition of a large coal trade. In 1876 **BRO. NOBLE** was admitted as a partner in the concern, and since the death of the late Mr. Williams, in 1884, he has been the senior member of the company, doing business under the name of Frank Williams & Co., a firm having a prosperous coal trade, owning mines of bituminous coal in Pennsylvania, and extensive docks in Buffalo. He is also President of the Buffalo Creek Transfer Railroad Company, and the treasurer of the Oak Ridge Mining Company, and is interested in a number of other corporations.

On March 19, 1867, **BRO. NOBLE** was married to Miss Frances Adelaide Wilcox, of Rome, N. Y., and their union has been prolific in returns of comfort, affection and domestic joys. They have three interesting children, two daughters and a son, and their home is the centre of all conveyed in the terms of culture and refinement. **BRO. NOBLE** early mani-

fested a desire to witness the Masonic Light, but it was not until after his return from the service of his country that an opportunity presented itself to do so. His desire was gratified by the Brethren of Roman Lodge, No. 223, of Rome, N. Y., when, on July 19, 1865, they initiated him, as an Entered Apprentice, crafted him August 2, 1865, and raised him to the sublime degree of Master Mason on August 19, 1865. On removing to Buffalo, he affiliated with Queen City Lodge, No. 358, of that city, April 7, 1876, and in the latter Lodge holds his present membership.

He was made a Royal Arch Mason in Buffalo Chapter, No. 71, of Buffalo, N. Y., December 13, 1876; a Royal and Select Master in Buffalo Council, No. 17, of Buffalo, Nov. 8, 1877, and was created a Knight Templar in Lake Erie Commandery, No. 20, of Buffalo, March 5, 1877.

He received the Ineffable Grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in Palmoni Lodge of Perfection, of Buffalo, in 1879; the Ancient Traditional Grades in Palmoni Council, Princes of Jerusalem, of Buffalo, in 1879; the Philosophical and Doctrinal Grades in Rochester Chapter of Rose-Croix, and the Modern Historical and Chivalric Grades in Rochester Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°, of Rochester, N. Y., February 26, 1880, and became a charter member of Buffalo Consistory at the time of its institution in 1892.

ILL. BRO. NOBLE was elected to receive the 33° by the Supreme Council 33°, A. A. S. R., for the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States, at its session in Boston, Mass., in September, 1894.

The Masonic career of **BRO. NOBLE** has been one of noted prominence in the several departments of Freemasonry, more especially in that of the Capitular and the Commandery branches, and throughout shows zealous devotion to duty, either as artisan or master workman.

He became King of Buffalo Chapter, R. A. M., in 1880, and in 1881 and 1882 served as its High Priest with great acceptability. Since 1889 he has been serving as its Treasurer.

He became Senior Warden of Lake Erie Commandery in 1880, and was elevated to the honorable station of Eminent Commander in 1881, serving through re-elections, four successive terms. He next served as Prelate from 1886 to 1892, and since 1889 has been one of the Trustees.

Shortly after entering the Grand Commandery of New York, that body duly recognized his eminent worth and fitness by calling him to official station. He served as Grand Warden in 1887, as Grand Sword Bearer in 1888, as Grand Standard Bearer in 1889, as Junior Warden in 1890, as Senior Warden in 1891, as Captain General in 1892, as Grand Generalissimo in 1893, and in 1894 he was elected Deputy Grand Commander, which position he still occupies.

Since 1890, **ILL. BRO. NOBLE** has also filled the responsible position of Treasurer of Buffalo Council of Royal and Select Masters. He is also the Presi-





BROTHER HORACE A. NOBLE, 33° elect,

PAST HIGH PRIEST OF BUFFALO ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER.

DEPUTY GRAND COMMANDER OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR
OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.



Samuel A. Noble

Dep. Gr. Com. of the Gr. Commandery of K. T. U.
State of New York.

dent of the Masonic Hall Association of Buffalo, and is identified with a number of other fraternities, such as the A. O. U. of United Workmen, the Royal Arcanum, and Bidwell Wilkeson Post No. 9, G. A. R.

He is a "Noble" in more senses than one, since we find that he is also a member of the A. A. O. Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, holding membership in Ismalia Temple at Buffalo.

ILL. BRO. NOBLE has won and retained the confidence and esteem of a multitude of friends, both within and without the Craft, and as a good citizen, an upright business man, a patriot soldier, an affectionate husband and loving father, he fills well his place in the great activities of life, with a hope of the life to come.

BRO. WILLIAM SMITH, D. D., well-known as a distinguished clergyman and American Mason of the last century, was born upon the banks of the River Don, within a few miles of Aberdeen, Scotland, September, 1727, and graduated in that city in 1748, at the age of twenty-one years. He came to America in 1751, and took up his residence with Governor Martin, on Long Island, and became tutor to his two sons whom he had accompanied from England. Subsequently, on the establishment of the College of Pennsylvania, by Bro. Dr. Franklin and others, he became the Principal or *Provost* of that institution.

Previous to entering upon his duties, he returned to England where he received Orders in the Episcopal Church as Rector, and when he returned to America he proceeded to Philadelphia, and in May, 1754, took his place at the head of the College there as its *Provost*. He at once took an active part in the religious and scientific movements of that day. He was a member of the British "Society for Propagating the Gospel in Foreign Parts," and of the "American Philosophical Society." In each of these he took a deep interest, and corresponded extensively in this country and in Europe for their benefit.

BRO. SMITH was an eloquent speaker, and many of his sermons were published and extensively read both in this country and in England. His celebrity soon became such that he was often called upon to deliver sermons and funeral discourses on important occasions, and before assemblages of the highest respectability, and in after years he had the honor of being called upon to deliver an eulogium on the death of Franklin, before the President and Congress of the United States.

BRO. SMITH was married June 3, 1758, to Rebecca Moore, daughter of William Moore, of Moore Hall, Delaware County, Penn., by whom he had a number of children. His son, William Moore Smith, was Grand Master in 1795-6-7, and for many years subsequently Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

But little record has come to us of the Masonic labors of BRO. SMITH previous to the Revolution, and whether he was initiated into the Fraternity in

this country, or in England, we have no means of determining. The records of the time show us that the membership of the Fraternity comprised the Governor of the Province and many of its distinguished citizens. On the anniversary of St. John the Baptist in 1755, the Fraternity had a public festival in that city, at which BRO. SMITH preached a sermon to the brotherhood.

After the British evacuated Philadelphia, Bro. William Ball, the Provincial Grand Master of the Ancients, convened the brethren of that branch on the 16th of December, 1778, and BRO. SMITH was appointed Grand Secretary *pro tem*. At this meeting it was resolved to hold a grand celebration on the 28th of the same month, and BRO. SMITH was appointed to preach the sermon. On this occasion Bro. Washington was honored with the chief place in the procession, with the Grand Master and Deputy Grand Master on either side.

Upon being relieved from his labors as *Provost* of the College, BRO. SMITH devoted his entire time to his duties as a clergyman, and to literary pursuits. He was also zealous in the performance of Masonic duties, and his name stands on the records of Masonry as one of the most active and devoted members of that period. At the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, in December, 1778, a committee was appointed of which BRO. SMITH was a member, to present a code of laws for the future government of the Grand Lodge. The labors of the committee were intrusted to BRO. SMITH, who was then Secretary of the Grand Lodge. In November, 1781, he submitted to that body the result of his labors, which was a Book of Constitutions, and since known as Smith's Ahiman Rezon. It was approved and unanimously adopted, and ordered to be printed, BRO. SMITH receiving a vote of thanks "for the great care and attention he bestowed upon its preparation."

In 1781 BRO. SMITH removed to Maryland, where he became Principal of the Corporation and Faculty of Washington College, instituted at Chestertown, Kent County, in 1782, and also Rector of Chester Parish, in the same county. While residing in Maryland, he ably assisted Bro. Coats in organizing Lodges and was one of the most active spirits enlisted in the work of organizing its Grand Lodge.

In 1791 he again removed to Philadelphia, where he resided until his death, in 1803, at the age of seventy-six years. He was ever a warm personal friend of Bro. Washington, and the records of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania contain ample evidence of the high esteem it bore for him during a long period of years to the very close of his life. For many years he served it as Grand Chaplain, and the last Masonic public duty he performed was in December, 1802, on the dedication of the Masonic Hall, on which occasion he offered a prayer to the Most High for especial blessings on the Fraternity and its noble institution.



BRO. CHARLES A. DELANEY, 1st Lieut.-Commander of Buffalo Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°, and Past Sov. Grand Master of the United States of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine, was born in the city of Buffalo, New York, May 10, 1847. His father, Charles D. DeLaney, was a famous mechanic, who, in 1850, established one of the first, if not the very first, steam forges west of New York, and during his life made a brilliant record. It was the father's desire to give his son a thorough collegiate training, but owing to the frail health of the child and the lack of such improvement therein as would enable him to endure the constraint and study incident to college life, up to 1860, induced its abandonment. However, despite the hindrances to a more thorough education, the work of home tutorship in childhood had succeeded in laying the foundation for knowledge practical in character and valuable in after life. Thinking that the laborious activity of a mechanical life might do much to dispel the delicacy of childhood, the father took him into his machine shop and forge as an apprentice, where he laid the ground work for a good mechanical education and a knowledge of the details of the business, that enabled him afterwards to take charge of the works when age had incapacitated the father from further physical exertion.

On the breaking out of the Civil War, young DELANEY, fired with the patriotic ardor of the day, enlisted as a drummer in the 74th Regiment, N. Y. N. G., acting with the 22d Corps, in repelling Lee's invasion of Pennsylvania and Maryland, and also in the defence of Washington, D. C. His regiment was also engaged in quelling the New York draft riots in 1863. Sickness again intervening, he was mustered out after the regiment returned to Buffalo.

His military hopes—like those of his collegiate and mechanical—also frustrated, he next turned his attention to the subject of mechanical and civil engineering, to obtain a thorough knowledge of which he entered the office of Homer Bloomfield, of Buffalo, where he remained until the Spring of 1865, when he was again forced, through sickness, to forsake his occupation and seek relief from suffering by travel. He accordingly took shipping on a small sailing vessel, from New York for the Mediterranean, making a thirty-days' voyage to Gibraltar. After this voyage he went to Egypt, where, much improved in health, he traveled extensively, also on the Continent, Great Britain and Ireland, passing nearly two years abroad. He took passage for home on the Steamship *Bavaria*, which was wrecked 850 miles from Southampton. The passengers, after twenty-eight and a half days, were transferred to a sister ship, and landed at New York, after a forty-five days' passage. BRO. DELANEY's health was very much improved by his travels and attendant vicissitudes, so much so that on his return home, in 1868, he entered into partnership with his father, acting as general manager for C. D. DeLaney & Co.

In 1871 BRO. DELANEY married the daughter of Thomas Dole, Esq., of Buffalo, and settled himself comfortably as the head of what was intended to be, as it has proved, one of the happiest and most attractive home circles in the city of Buffalo.

The military spirit which had lain dormant in BRO. DELANEY since the war, about this time again asserted itself, and he renewed his connection with the New York National Guard. His promotion in his military career was very rapid, and exhibited the high regard which his military associates had for him. He was appointed Captain and Aide-de-Camp on the Staff of the Commander of the 31st Brigade, in 1875, and was detailed as Asst. Adjutant General and Chief of Staff, during the absence of Colonel Cornell, at the great railroad riots of 1877 in Buffalo. After the discharge of his onerous duties during that exciting time, he was promoted to the grade of Major and Aide-de-Camp, on the Staff of the Commander of the 8th Division, N. Y. S. M. He refused eleven offers of promotion in 1879, in different corps and divisions, preferring to remain with Gen. W. F. Rogers, as Aide to the latter. However, in 1881, when he was again offered a Lieut.-Colonelcy and the place of Quarter Master on the Staff of the 4th Division, N. Y. S. M., he accepted, with the proviso that he should be detailed to act as Aide to General Rogers, in the event of a riot or invasion calling for active service. During this service as Lieut.-Colonel he, among other important details, filled the position for a time, of Acting Assisting Chief of Ordnance, for the State of New York. In 1888, after 13 years, he was discharged from active duty by the retirement of General Rogers to take charge of the Soldiers' Home, at Bath, N. Y.

Although introduced to Masonic Light in Hiram Lodge No. 105, of Buffalo, N. Y., February 19, 1867, BRO. DELANEY's military duties, together with his business affairs and family demands, so absorbed his time and attention that he gave little or none to Masonry. It was only after his retirement from active military service in 1888, that he found time to advance further along the Masonic pathway. As in his military, so in his Masonic career, the progress and promotion of BRO. DELANEY from degree to degree has been rapid. His clear-cut intelligence discerned greater "light and beauty" the farther he traveled the Masonic pathway, and with it found greater happiness and more perfect peace.

He received the Capitular Degrees in Keystone Chapter, No. 163, R. A. M., of Buffalo, April 20, 1889.

He received the Cryptic Degrees in Keystone Council, No. 20, R. and S. M., of Buffalo, June 1, 1889.

He received the Degrees of Knighthood in Hugh de Payen's Commandery, No. 30, K. T., of Buffalo, July 22, 1889.

He received the Ineffable Grades, and the Ancient Traditional Grades in Palmoni Chapter and Council of Buffalo, September 3, 1889; the Philosophical and





BROTHER CHARLES A. DeLANEY,

FIRST LIEUTENANT-COMMANDER OF BUFFALO CONSISTORY, S. P. R. S. 32°, OF BUFFALO, N. Y.
GRAND REGISTRAR-GENERAL OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.



Fraternally yours
Charles H. Drury -

Gr. Registrar Genl. of the Sov. Grand Council
of the United States.

Doctrinal Grades in Rochester Chapter of Rose-Croix, of Rochester, and the Modern Historical and Chivalric Grades in Rochester Consistory, S. P. R. S., 32°, of Rochester, N. Y., September 4, 1889. He is the M. E. Sov. P. G. M. of Palmoni Council, Princes of Jerusalem, of Buffalo, and becoming a charter member of Buffalo Consistory at its institution in 1892, he now (1895) also occupies the position of First Lieut-Commander of that Body.

He received the Order of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine in St. Helena Conclave, No. 5, of Montpelier, Vermont, January 14, 1891, and in due time was admitted to the official grades of Eusebius Conclave, No. 9, of Rochester. He was crowned a Grand Cross Knight of Constantine, at Philadelphia, July 28, 1891.

He received the Royal Order of Scotland in the city of Boston, February 3, 1892, at the 14th Session of the Provincial Grand Lodge of the United States, of the Royal Order of Scotland.

ILL. BRO. DELANEY is also a member of Ismailia Temple, A. A. O. Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, at Buffalo, since 1889, and is likewise a member of the Palace of O. and G. in Chicago, Ill.

He is also identified with several other Orders outside of Masonry, such as the I. I. Order of Owls, with an active membership in Nest, No. 9, of Chicago, Ill., and the Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm, in New York. He is a G. A. R. man, as well as a member of the Association of the Army of the Potomac.

ILL. BRO. DELANEY has held and still holds high and responsible stations in the several Orders to which he belongs, and is a most efficient worker, ever first and foremost in advancing their interests.

He was elected Sovereign Grand Master of the United States, of the Red Cross of Rome and Constantine, in 1892, serving two terms. In 1894 he was elected Grand Registrar-General, which position he now fills.

With the promise of many years of usefulness yet before him, BRO. DELANEY stands as a living exemplar of the best type of American manhood and of nobleness of character developed and moulded by the true principles of speculative Masonry. Few, if any, can list up a greater number of personal friends, either at home or abroad, for he enjoys a generously extended reputation as a warm-hearted, genial, and companionable man and brother.

BRO. JOSEPH HOWELL HOUGH, 33°, Past Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, was born in Montgomery County, Penna., in 1816. At an early age he removed to Trenton, New Jersey, where he entered one of the leading mercantile houses of the capital city, remaining there for several years, until he was called to the Chancery Court Clerk's office, where he occupied the position of Deputy for many years. He was from early life identified with the many growing interests of Trenton, and at one

time served the people of that city in the Common Council.

BRO. HOUGH was made a Mason in Trenton Lodge, No. 5, at Trenton, N. J., June 4th, 1838, affiliated with Mercer Lodge, No. 50, and finally, with Ashler Lodge, No. 76.

He received the Capitular degrees in Hiram Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M., and passed the Arches of the Crypt in Gebal Council, No. 4, Royal and Select Masters, and from its institution was for five years Recorder of the Grand Council.

The Orders of Masonic Knighthood were conferred upon him in Hugh de Payen's Commandery, No. 1, K. T., of Jersey City, and upon the formation of Palestine Commandery, No. 4, at the city of Trenton, became its first Eminent Commander.

In the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, he was a member of the Lodge of Perfection, Council of the Princes of Jerusalem, and Chapter of Rose-Croix, located at Trenton, and of New Jersey Consistory.

He was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General (33°) May 22, 1863, and elected an Active Member of the Supreme Council of the Northern Masonic Jurisdiction May 19, 1864. He was elected Deputy of the Supreme Council for New Jersey, September, 1879, and after serving three years declined a re election. In 1883 he resigned his active membership and passed to the roll of Past Active Members.

In 1838, the same year in which he received his Master's Degree, he was elected Deputy Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. In 1842, at the age of twenty-six, and only four years after he was made a Master Mason, he was elected Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge, which position he acceptably filled until the day of his death, December 15, 1890, a period of forty-eight years.

Few men were more widely and honorably known. Faithful to the duties devolving upon him, he ever carried the unbroken confidence and esteem of the entire brotherhood, which, in turn, from time to time, expressed its regards for him in gifts and jewels, and souvenirs of honor, of which he possessed more in number and in value than perhaps any other Mason in the land. His record of more than half a century of active, honorable and faithful Masonic service is in itself a monument to the worth and memory of the man, more lasting than marble, more enduring than brass, and speaks a eulogy more eloquent than any uttered by human lips.

BRO. EDWARD BASCOMB HARPER, President of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of the city of New York, was born near the village of Dover, in the county of Kent, State of Delaware, on September 14, 1842. He was left an orphan without fortune at the age of thirteen years, and is emphatically a self-made man. He obtained employment at this early age in a store in his native village, where by his industry and strict attention to duty he won the highest commendation of his employer, and at the



age of twenty years he had accumulated funds sufficient to carry him through a commercial course. After graduating with distinction at the head of his class he accepted a position in a Philadelphia banking-house. He soon mastered the details of the business, and from a clerkship was rapidly promoted to its chief management. Although successful in this trial at banking, he saw clearly that it was not to be his chosen field, nor the scene of his greater financial achievement. To the far-sightedness, judgment, and quiet skill, the finesse of the successful financier, he added those more sterling qualities, the aggressiveness, the push and vim, the combative energy, unflinching determination and persistence, which fitted him for a decidedly more active career. He chose life insurance, with its many perplexing details and greater field for achieving a name, as his life work.

On his twenty-second birthday, September 14, 1864, he married Miss Emma Underhill, daughter of a wealthy and refined family of the Hudson River Valley, who has proven a most exemplary wife and companionable helpmeet. Their union was happily blessed with an only child, which survived an earthly pilgrimage of some four years, when death removed it to Him who gave.

In 1869 he became western manager of a life insurance company, having its headquarters in New York City, and subsequently its general superintendent. During his connection with this company—a period of about six years—and as the result of his individual efforts, the volume of business more than doubled; in fact, under his administration as superintendent, the company's new business doubled within the first six months. The phenomenal success of a man so comparatively new to the business brought him at once into prominence in insurance circles.

In 1875 he became the New York manager of the John Hancock Insurance Company of Boston, Mass., where the same remarkable success attended his efforts. While occupying this position he introduced a number of new and valuable features in life insurance, and the successful operation of these in practice exhibited satisfactory evidence of the foresight and keen business ability which suggested them.

The position, however, in which he has displayed the most signal ability and rare good judgment, is the one he occupies at the present time—that of President of the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of the City of New York. In 1881, seven months after the organization of the Association, he became identified with it, and within the ten years following his assumption of the duties of the presidency, despite serious obstacles and the most determined opposition, he brought the company into a position of great financial prosperity. Its marvelous growth and success under his management will serve as a monument commemorative of his pre-eminent genius and matchless executive ability.

He is one of the busiest men in New York, and the

amount of business he transacts is remarkable. Besides looking after the vast interests of the great insurance company which he has created, he finds time to take a prominent part in politics, Masonry, and club affairs, being treasurer of the famous Lotus Club. He takes an active interest in Republican politics, and has been suggested as a possible candidate for Governor.

BRO. HARPER was introduced to Masonic light in Union Lodge, No. 121, of Philadelphia, Pa., December 8, 1864; was crafted, January 20, 1865; and raised a Master Mason, February 17, 1865. He dimitted March 9, 1871, and on September 14, 1882, affiliated with Crescent Lodge, No. 402, of New York City. He was elected Senior Warden of the latter Lodge in 1885, and became its Master for the three years 1886, 1887, and 1888. He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Crescent Chapter, No. 220, of New York, November 28, 1882, and was created a Knight Templar in Palestine Commandery, No. 18, of New York City, March 19, 1883.

He received the various grades of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, to and including the 32°, in the several bodies constituting said Rite, at New York City, November 23, 1884.

He is also a member of the A. A. O. Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine since December 4, 1884, holding membership in Mecca Temple, New York City.

He became Grand Steward of the Grand Lodge of New York, and served for three years 1886, 1887, and 1888, and in 1889 was elected a Trustee of the Hall and Asylum Fund, which position he still holds.

It is said that fully one-tenth of the entire proceeds of the great Masonic Fair held in the city of New York in 1887 were obtained through the instrumentality of BRO. HARPER.

The same ability and tireless energy which characterize his business life, are displayed in all the Associations in which he holds membership. In the church, in the fraternity, and in society his eminent worth as a man and a citizen is duly recognized and appreciated. He is decidedly a leader of men, and whether as a member of Calvary Baptist Church, a Grand Lodge officer, treasurer of the Lotus Club, member of the Patria Club, the Arkwright Club, the St George's Club of London, or as President of the Delaware Society, his sterling character and exalted virtues attract to him the respect and esteem of his fellow-men. He is eminently fitted, by the very constitution of his nature and character, for public usefulness in whatever sphere of life his energies may be directed. His demeanor, affability and personal dignity impart confidence to all with whom he comes in contact. His genial qualities of heart and extreme amiability win for him the love and esteem of the community in which he lives, and his unwavering fidelity and unswerving efforts to advance the prosperity of Masonry in New York place his name in the very front rank of the Craft.





. BROTHER EDWARD B. HARPER,

PAST GRAND STEWARD OF THE GRAND LODGE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.
ACTIVE MEMBER OF NEW YORK CONSISTORY, S. P. R. S. 32°, OF NEW YORK CITY.



E. B. Harper

P. G. Steward of the Grand Lodge.
State of New York.

BRO. LEWIS ALBERT SAYRE, the eminent physician and surgeon of the city of New York, was born at Bottle Hill, now Madison, in Morris County, New Jersey, February 29, 1820. He received his early education at the local Academy, and after leaving the Academy he studied with his cousin, Edward A. Stiles, who had charge of the Wantage Academy at Deckertown, N. J. This cousin was a graduate of Yale College, and at his hands he received a thorough preparation for a university education. Two years later he went to Lexington, Kentucky, to reside with his uncle, David A. Sayre, a banker. He was next sent to the Transylvania University, where he passed through the regular course, graduating in 1839 with the highest honors. Possessing a taste for medicine, he determined to devote himself to the study of that profession, and accordingly removed to New York City and placed himself under the tutelage of Dr. David Green. At the same time he pursued a course at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York, and graduated therefrom in 1842 with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Immediately after graduating he was appointed Prosecutor to the Professor of Surgery in said College, and continued to hold that position until 1852, when, being obliged to resign on account of his extensive and increasing practice, he was appointed Emeritus Prosector. The year ensuing he received the appointment of Surgeon to Bellevue Hospital. In 1859 he was made Surgeon to the Charity Hospital on Blackwell's Island, and in 1873 became its Consulting Surgeon.

BRO. DR. SAYRE was one of the prime movers and most earnest workers in the interest of the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, established in 1861, and having achieved a reputation as a specialist in Orthopædic Surgery, he was made Professor of Orthopædic Surgery and Fractures and Luxations upon the formation of the faculty of the new College, a position which he still holds.

BRO. DR. SAYRE was also one of the founders of the New York Pathological Society, and assisted greatly in the formation of the New York Academy of Medicine and the American Medical Association. He was elected vice-president of the latter association in 1866, and in 1880 became its president. At the thirty-first annual session of this association, held in June, 1880, in New York City, he delivered an address which, in the terseness and clearness of its expression and the suggestive ability displayed throughout the views expressed upon the important questions considered, may be looked upon as a model of its kind in scientific literature. He also represented this association as a delegate in 1876, in the International Medical Congress, held at Philadelphia, Pa., where he presented an interesting paper on "Morbus Coxarius," or hip-joint disease, he being the first American Surgeon to perform successfully and without resultant deformity the difficult operation for the remedy of this affection. As an illustration of the success of his work

in this complicated operation, he performed it before the Convention, and after its successful conclusion was highly complimented by the celebrated Professor Lister, who remarked: "I feel that this demonstration would of itself have been a sufficient reward for my voyage across the Atlantic." His first operation for this complaint was performed in 1854, and was the first successful operation of the kind performed in America. He has since performed this remarkable and difficult operation repeatedly and with most marked success.

In 1871, he visited Europe, where he was warmly received as the greatest living practitioner in his profession. He lectured upon hip-joint disease and its remedy before several medical societies by special invitation, and his demonstrations were universally received with evidences of recognition and admiration. He was created a Knight of the Order of Wasa, in recognition of his valuable services to science by King Charles IV of Sweden, who was personally acquainted with the accuracy of **BRO. SAYRE'S** method of diagnosis and the success of his modes of treatment through the skill displayed by him in the case of a member of the Swedish Royal family, whom he was called upon to attend.

BRO. DR. SAYRE also devoted his attention to the treatment of Pott's Disease and Lateral Curvature of the Spine, and in his treatment of these complaints, as in that of others, he has been entirely original, and has displayed a combination of skill and daring quite unexampled in the history of the profession in America. His successes in the treatment of these diseases has also added greatly to his already well-earned fame throughout Europe and the Continent. In 1877, when as a delegate from the American Medical Association to the meeting of the British Medical Association held at Manchester, England, he again visited Europe, he was received with even more flattering evidences of his high reputation abroad than had greeted him six years previous. He was invited to lecture before the leading medical societies and at the principal hospitals, and in London lectured upon and demonstrated his mode of treatment at the University College Hospital, Guy's Hospital, St. Bartholomew's, and St. Thomas'. From London he went to Liverpool, Manchester, Birmingham, and Cork, by invitation, lecturing and giving demonstrations in each of these cities, and everywhere was received with the warmest attention and appreciation. Every opportunity was given him to make tests in public, exhibiting the practical value of his mode of treatment and the excellence of his appliances, and in all particulars he was treated with the greatest consideration and distinction. Resolutions were carried by acclamation, by the British Medical Association, warmly thanking him for the generous and devoted course which he pursued in spending so large an amount of time and trouble in bringing under the notice of the profession in that country the methods and details of procedure in his treatment of angular and lateral curvature of the spine, constituting a new



era in that department of surgery, and a method of treatment whose proved successes commend it as an inestimable boon to thousands of persons now and hereafter. He also received most complimentary notices from the London *Lancet*, *British Medical Journal*, and other medical publications, all bearing testimony to his rare physiological and mechanical skill and the soundness of his principles and expertness in their mechanical application.

It was during this visit abroad that BRO.: SAYRE prepared and published his important work, "An Illustrated Treatise on Spinal Disease and Spinal Curvature," which he dedicated to the medical profession of Great Britain, in grateful acknowledgment of their generous and cordial reception. Among the other works from the pen of BRO.: SAYRE are: "A Practical Manual of the Treatment of Club-foot," and "Lectures on Orthopædic Surgery and Diseases of the Joints." These have passed through a great many editions, were translated into French and German and other languages, and are recognized authorities on the subjects of which they treat. He has also contributed many articles and papers on medical and surgical subjects to the leading professional periodicals of the United States.

BRO.: SAYRE is also the inventor of a number of important instruments used in his practice, among these being the uvulotome, club-foot shoe, scrotal clamp, flexible probe, improved tracheotomy tube and various splints and appliances for use in orthopædic surgery, which have proved of the highest value to the profession and of remarkable utility in the treatment of deformities. The *British Medical Journal*, in speaking of his methods and appliances, says: "Few men have, in their generation, accomplished so much for the relief of humanity, and his name will go down to posterity with that of Marion Sims as among the most distinguished benefactors whom the American medical profession has produced for the glory of medicine and the good of mankind during this century."

BRO.: SAYRE also served as Resident Physician of the City of New York, being appointed in 1866, and in this important post the energy of his nature, the far-seeing character of his knowledge regarding sanitary questions, and his great experience were soon manifested in the interest of the metropolis. His reports to the Board of Health included the subjects of drainage, sewerage, compulsory vaccination, and particularly cholera, which was at that time epidemic in New York and Brooklyn. He advocated the establishment of a national quarantine, and as to all of these and other important matters relating to the public health, his reports displayed a thorough knowledge on the subject of hygiene, and also careful consideration of the best interests of the community.

BRO.: SAYRE was married, in 1849, to Miss Eliza A. Hall, daughter of the late Charles Henry Hall, Esq., of Harlem, well-known for his high social standing

and weight in the community. Mrs. Sayre was a lady of rare intellectual endowments, and eminently fitted for her position, from her sympathy in all his professional labors and duties. Her death in 1894 was a severe blow not only to her family, but to a large circle of friends. They have but one daughter, Miss Mary Hall Sayre, a brilliant and accomplished young lady, who is a great assistance to her father in translating for him the various French, German, Spanish and Italian medical journals. Their eldest son, Dr. Charles H. H. Sayre, received a severe fall, fracturing his thigh, and secondary hemorrhage ensuing caused his death. The second son, Dr. Lewis Hall Sayre, accompanied his father to Europe, in 1877, rendering him most valuable assistance in his demonstrations, and made for himself hosts of warm and valued friends among the eminent men of the profession. This son also died very suddenly, in the spring of 1890, of heart disease, deeply lamented by a host of admiring friends. Their only remaining son, Dr. Reginald Hall Sayre, is engaged with his father in practice, and is his principal assistant as Professor of Orthopædic Surgery in Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and has also achieved an enviable distinction in his profession.

BRO.: SAYRE was led at an early day to seek Masonic Light, and the portals of the temple received him with a generous welcome. His rising fame had already marked him as a student and worker well fitted to travel the tessellated pathway, and his progress since has fully demonstrated the estimation in which the Brethren of the Craft then regarded him. Few names are more revered, and few carry with them greater weight of esteem and far-reaching influence, than that of BRO.: DR. SAYRE to-day. He was initiated August 16, passed September 6, and raised September 27, 1859, in Kane Lodge, No. 454, A.: F.: and A.: M.: of New York City, and still holds his membership in said Lodge.

In addition to being a member of many medical societies in the United States, BRO.: SAYRE is also an honorary member of the Medical Society of New Brunswick, of the British Medical Association, of the Medico-Chirurgical Society of Edinburgh, of the Medical Society of Norway, and of the Surgical Society of St. Petersburg, Russia.

The success of BRO.: SAYRE as one of the most distinguished of American members of the medical and surgical profession, is greatly due to the elements which go to the making of his character and intellectual structure. These are great physical and constitutional strength and power, remarkable perceptive and analytical faculties, great inventive ability, unusual natural skill for diagnosis, and a capacity for broad and comprehensive generalization. Add to these remarkable courage and presence of mind and a thorough knowledge of all that has been taught with regard to his profession, besides unusual opportunities for practice and experience, and we have an





BROTHER LEWIS A. SAYRE, M. D.,

MEMBER OF KANE LODGE, No. 454, OF NEW YORK CITY.



Lewis A. Sayre M.D.

Kane Lodge New York City

equipment at once extraordinary, and which could hardly fail to produce remarkable and noteworthy results

BRO. ROSWELL PETTIBONE FLOWER, Ex-Governor of the State of New York, was born at Theresa, Jefferson County, New York, on August 7, 1835. His father, Nathan Monroe Flower, learned the wool-carding and cloth-dressing trade at Oak Hill, Greene County, N. Y., and when he became of age, established himself in business for his own accommodation in Cooperstown, Otsego County, N. Y. Later he married Mary Ann Boyle, of Cherry Valley, in the same county, and soon after moved to the Northern Wilderness and established a wool-carding and cloth-making business at Theresa. Nine children were born to him, seven sons and two daughters, of whom Roswell P. was the fourth son and the sixth child. His father died when he was only eight years old. The mother conducted the business for a couple of years, and he was put to work at picking wool eight hours off and eight hours on daily, during the summer season, for a couple of months, and the rest of the time he was sent to school. Until he was fourteen years of age he was occupied at school, and night and morning did what work he could to help support the family. He then entered the store of Silas L. George, of Theresa, who married his sister Caroline, working for five dollars a month and board. In the winter he attended the Theresa High School and worked for his board until he was sixteen years of age, when he was graduated. After he was graduated from the high school, he found an opportunity to teach in a little school a mile from the town. He proved a success as a teacher and soon received a certificate that he was competent to teach a district school. When he was in his eighteenth year he received an offer to go to Philadelphia as a clerk in a general merchandise store; but his employer failed two months later, and he was thrown out of employment and was forced to return to Theresa.

In August, 1853, he had an offer to enter the hardware store of Howell, Cooper & Co., at Watertown, N. Y., where he remained about a month, when he was offered the position of Deputy Postmaster, at fifty dollars a month and board, which he accepted. He occupied this position for six years, and managed to save some money out of his wages. At the end of his term in office he purchased with his savings the interest of William H. Sigourney in a jewelry business, the firm name becoming Hitchcock & Flower. His aptitude for business enabled him to advance the interests of the firm, and in a couple of years he bought out his partner and continued alone in the business until 1869. In the latter year he removed to New York City and took charge of the estate of the late Henry Keep, his brother-in-law, who had married Miss Emma, a sister of Mrs. Flower. This estate was then worth \$2,000,000; but under his management it has expanded to twice that amount. The prop-

erties in which this estate was invested, principally railroad interests, caused him to travel much in the West, and since 1870 he has made extended trips all over the United States, and has a personal knowledge of the possibilities and natural resources of almost every section of the country.

He also became the ruling spirit of the brokerage and banking firm of Benedict, Flower & Co., with which he was identified until its dissolution in 1872. Later he established the firm of R. P. Flower & Co., consisting of himself and several of his brothers and a nephew, at 52 Broadway, and this firm have succeeded in building up a large commission trade. BRO. FLOWER, however, relinquished his interest in the concern in 1890, and became a special partner. In politics BRO. FLOWER has always been a Democrat. He cast his first vote for Bro. Buchanan, and has been a constant and active worker for his party. He was chairman of the County Committee for several years, and helped to start the nucleus of an organization which has been known throughout the State as one of the best equipped political organizations within its borders. In 1870 he was chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee when the party won the campaign, though there was a bolt against the ticket. In 1881 he was a candidate for Congress in the Eleventh Congressional District of New York against William Waldorf Astor, whom he defeated by a majority of 3,100; the district having previously gone Republican by 4000. He made a commendable record in Congress, but declined a re-nomination. In 1882 he was prominently named as a candidate for Governor, receiving 133 votes in the convention; but owing to the strife between Tammany and the County Democracy of New York City, it was deemed best to nominate a man outside of the city, consequently BRO. FLOWER withdrew in favor of Mr. Cleveland. He has been a member of the State Executive Committee every year since that time, and has given valuable aid to the Democratic party managers. In 1885 he received the nomination for Lieutenant-Governor, but declined to accept for reasons stated. In 1888 he was selected as one of the four delegates-at-large to the National Democratic Convention at St. Louis, which nominated Mr. Cleveland for President, and was chosen chairman of the delegation. In the same year, in order to unite the two factions in the Twelfth Congressional District of New York, he accepted the nomination and was elected to the Fifty-First Congress. He became a member of the Committee on Ways and Means, also of the Committee on the World's Fair, and his efforts to secure the location of the Fair in New York were ably directed. On all great public questions before the House he took a deep and active interest, showing his familiarity with many subjects, and with distant sections of the country and their industries.

In 1890 he was made chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, and under his wise and systematic management the result was



the largest Democratic Congressional majority ever obtained in an election in the United States. In 1891, he was nominated for Governor of the State of New York by the Democratic State Convention, and was elected by a plurality of 47,937 votes over Hon. J. S. Fassett, the Republican candidate. His administration of the executive duties of the gubernatorial office received at his hands the same conscientious and persistent application, with the most rigid adherence to the fundamental principles of the law and the common weal, which marked his business career. A man of the people, thoroughly conversant with their every interest, he faithfully represented them in every department of the State Government, by the application of the most rigid scrutiny and the enforcement of the strictest economy in public expenditures.

BRO. FLOWER was married December 26, 1859, to Miss Sarah M. Woodruff, a daughter of Norris M. Woodruff, of Watertown, N. Y., and to them three children were born, of whom only one is living, Emma Gertrude, now the wife of Mr. John B. Taylor, of Watertown. In his younger days, he took a very active interest in Masonry, and this has remained unabated in after life. He cherishes deeply the great truths he learned thus early in his life's career, and they have been the great guiding lights in his eventful progress along life's highway. He was made a Mason in Watertown Lodge, No. 49, of Watertown, N. Y., February 24, 1858; a Royal Arch Mason in Watertown R. A. Chapter, No. 59, of Watertown, February 3, 1859; and was created a Knight Templar in Watertown Commandery, No. 11, of Watertown, April 19, 1859.

He served as Secretary of his Lodge in 1859, and as Senior Deacon in 1861; on March 6, 1863, he was elected Captain General of Watertown Commandery, No. 11, K. T., of Watertown, and was re-elected March 7, 1864. He was elected High Priest of Watertown R. A. Chapter, No. 59, December 13, 1866, and was re-elected December 14, 1867.

BRO. FLOWER is an extremely modest and unassuming man, and it is related of him, as illustrative of this trait and his thorough appreciation of the Craft, that shortly after his inauguration as Governor, he was invited to attend a festive gathering of Ancient City Lodge, at Albany. He attended and was escorted into the Lodge Room by Ill. Bro. Herman H. Russ, 33°, who introduced him to the W. M. The W. M. greeting him cordially, invited him to the East. Briefly responding, expressing his appreciation of the compliment conferred, the Governor said, in concluding, "I do not belong in this East and infinitely prefer to sit among the Craft of whom I am one."

Upon another occasion, that of a large Masonic gathering at Oneida Lake, at which the Governor was present, public opinion called for a reception. This was accordingly arranged for; but as the brethren were about to pass the reviewing stand, His Excellency said to M. W. James Ten Eyck, "You take

the position of honor. This is a Masonic day, and to-day you are my ranking officer. Let the brethren first be received by you, after which I will gladly greet them."

BRO. FLOWER has always made it a rule to give away in charity a certain portion of his income—for many years all that he did not need for his own living expenses—believing that when a man had wealth he should distribute it while he is alive, in order that there may be no contest over it when he dies. He has never turned his back on any charitable institution that he could consistently befriend, as the people of the northern portion of his State can testify.

On a visit to Theresa, some years ago, he found that the church which he had attended in his youth had run down, and that the building itself was in a dilapidated condition. It had been the church of his parents, who were Presbyterians. At considerable expense he had the church rebuilt, and it is now a beautiful little structure, a fitting memorial to BRO. FLOWER's parents. On the death of his son, Henry Keep Flower, in 1881, he and Mrs. Flower gave St. Thomas' Church in New York City, of which he is a vestryman, \$50,000, to erect a four-story Parish house on 59th and 60th streets and Second Avenue, to be known as St. Thomas' House. This structure has rooms occupied by an American Sunday-school of 500 children, a German Sunday-school, and a Chinese Sunday-school. On the lower floor there is a diet kitchen, and on the second floor an institution to teach young girls how to sew and mend. The next floor is a club-room, where the boys play backgammon; and on the upper floor is a library for a club of young men. On the inside of the building, on the wall, is a marble slab, upon which is inscribed, "Erected to God by Roswell P. Flower and Sarah M. Flower, in memory of their son, Henry Keep Flower."

BRO. FLOWER also joined his brother Anson, who is a vestryman in Trinity Church in Watertown, in building a \$100,000 home for that parish. He also erected for the Homœopathic School of Physicians in New York City the Flower Hospital, at the corner of Avenue A and Sixty-third Street, to supply a much-desired need to the college which they were then building. These by no means comprise all the beneficiaries of this generous-hearted Brother; to give them all mention would entail a wider scope than we have at command.

BRO. FLOWER has a residence in Watertown, where he spends his summers, and a fine winter residence on Fifth Avenue, New York City. While the Chief Magistrate of the Empire State, he and Mrs. Flower wholly transformed the bachelor's quarters of his two immediate predecessors in the Executive Mansion, and the excellent taste and rare good tact displayed by his estimable lady, in its rehabilitation and furnishings, were made both apparent and pleasing as well.





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